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STATIONS	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	No. 7	No. 8	No. 9	No. 10	No. 11
Kowloon	8.40	8.55	9.10	9.25	9.40	9.55	10.10	10.25	10.40	10.55	11.10
Tsimshui	8.45	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45	10.00	10.15	10.30	10.45	11.00	11.15
Shatin	8.50	9.05	9.20	9.35	9.50	10.05	10.20	10.35	10.50	11.05	11.20
Ma On Shan	8.55	9.10	9.25	9.40	9.55	10.10	10.25	10.40	10.55	11.10	11.25
Yau Ma Tei	9.00	9.15	9.30	9.45	10.00	10.15	10.30	10.45	11.00	11.15	11.30
Shum Shue Po	9.05	9.20	9.35	9.50	10.05	10.20	10.35	10.50	11.05	11.20	11.35
Shum Shue Po	9.10	9.25	9.40	9.55	10.10	10.25	10.40	10.55	11.10	11.25	11.40
Canton	9.15	9.30	9.45	10.00	10.15	10.30	10.45	11.00	11.15	11.30	11.45

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STATIONS	No. 12	No. 13	No. 14	No. 15	No. 16	No. 17	No. 18	No. 19	No. 20	No. 21	No. 22
Canton	11.50	12.05	12.20	12.35	12.50	13.05	13.20	13.35	13.50	14.05	14.20
Shum Shue Po	11.55	12.10	12.25	12.40	12.55	13.10	13.25	13.40	13.55	14.10	14.25
Shum Shue Po	12.00	12.15	12.30	12.45	13.00	13.15	13.30	13.45	14.00	14.15	14.30
Yau Ma Tei	12.05	12.20	12.35	12.50	13.05	13.20	13.35	13.50	14.05	14.20	14.35
Ma On Shan	12.10	12.25	12.40	12.55	13.10	13.25	13.40	13.55	14.10	14.25	14.40
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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

TO-DAY.

(December 9.)

Hong Kong Excavation, Pile
Driving and Construction Co., Ltd.
Meeting at Supreme Court, 10.30
a.m.
Hockey: Radio Sports Club v.
Royal Army Service Corps Club v.
H.K.S.R.A.
Rugby: H.K. & Shanghai Bank
v. Kowloon Rugby Club, Happy
Valley, 4.30 p.m.
Hong Kong Art Club Exhibition,
Lane, Crawford's.
Rotary Club First Anniversary
Dinner, Hong Kong Hotel.
Opening of Rotary Club play-
ground, Wanchai, 4 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Show Girl in
Hollywood."
World Theatre: "Love's Identity"
(Chinese film).
Star Theatre: "Madam Satan."
Central Theatre: "The Sea God."
King's Theatre: "The Smiling
Lieutenant."
Majestic Theatre: "Illusion."
Final Dress Rehearsal, "Miss
Hook of Holland," Theatre Royal,
9 p.m.
Ten Dances at King's Restaurant
and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner
Dances at Roush Bay Hotel and
Peninsula Hotel.
European Mail:—Outward:
Europe via Siberia (Sphinx) 2.30
p.m.

THURSDAY.

(December 10.)

Royal Hong Kong Golf Club
annual general meeting, Jardine's
boardroom, 5.30 p.m.
Hong Kong Art Club Exhibition,
Lane, Crawford's.
Queen's Theatre: "Show Girl in
Hollywood."
World Theatre: "Love's Identity"
(Chinese film).
Central Theatre: "The Sea God."
King's Theatre: "The Smiling
Lieutenant."
Star Theatre: "Remote Control."
Majestic Theatre: "Paris
Bound."
Ten Dances at King's Restaurant
and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner
Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and
Peninsula Hotel.
European Mail:—Inward:
Europe via Negapatam (Hakozaki
Maru); Outward: Europe via
Siberia (Hakozaki Maru) 3.30 p.m.;
Europe via Suz (Hakozaki Maru) 4
p.m.

FRIDAY.

(December 11.)

Hockey: Radio Sports Club v.
Police.
Hong Kong Art Club Exhibition,
Lane, Crawford's.
Hong Kong Philharmonic Society
presents "Miss Hook of Holland,"
Theatre Royal.
Queen's Theatre: "Show Girl in
Hollywood."
World Theatre: "Love's Identity"
(Chinese film).
Star Theatre: "Remote Control."
Central Theatre: "The Sea
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Candid Criticism Of The National Cabinet.

YOUNG MEN WHO SHOULD HAVE BEEN
INCLUDED.

AND SOME LIBERALS WHO SHOULD
NOT.

The new Government was hailed
with a chorus of approval from the
entire Press, writes A.A.B. The
Times dubbed it, "an experienced
team"; the Daily Mail, that
"tamed Leviathan," declared it
was "the strongest Cabinet" of
modern times, rich in capacity.
I do not agree with the chorus,
which reminds me of another
chorus chanted by an antique
corps de ballet at a late con-
cert in the Elysian Fields—
"bien que la figure soit changée,
les jambes sont toujours les mêmes."
In short, the strongest Cabinet of
modern times is the Old Gang, or
samples of three old gangs, leaning
against one another.

First and foremost, I make bold
to ask on what principle of expedi-
ency or loyalty are the Left Wing
Liberals admitted to the Cabinet at
all? By the Left Wing Liberals
I mean that section of Liberals who,
under the leadership of Mr. Lloyd
George and Sir Herbert Samuel,
have devoted themselves since 1924
to harassing and undermining the
Tory Party, and, wherever possible,
after barely concealed intriguing,
keeping the Socialists in office.

THEIR REWARD.

Their reward for this disservice is
to give them three seats in the
Cabinet against two seats allotted
to the Right Wing Liberals, who
really helped us; for without Sir
John Simon it is doubtful if we
could have carried the Trades Dis-
putes Act. It is like the treatment
of Rumania in the Versailles peace.
Of all our allies the Rumanians
were the most costly and the least
helpful; but they were more hand-
somerly rewarded than any other
ally, getting large slices of Hun-
gary and Russia. The Right Wing
Liberals ought to have had at least
two seats in addition to Sir John
Simon and Mr. Runciman, and one
of them ought to have been filled
by Mr. Hore-Belisha, whose brains
and courage are just the com-

modities which a Coalition Premier
ought to secure for himself.

THE FEMALE VOTE.

No one has written more strongly
than I against the feminisation of
the franchise by Lord Ullswater in
1918 and against Mr. Baldwin's
latter vote in 1928. But facts are
facts, and there is no denying that
our victory was largely due to the
female vote. Of all the women en-
gaged in politics, the Duchess of
Atholl is incomparably the most dis-
tinguished. Apart from her sex,
on the merits of her experience and
her erudition, the Duchess deserves
a place in any Tory Cabinet.

The Socialists made Miss Bond-
field, a painstaking but common-
place lady, Minister of Labour. Yet
after the splendid exertions of our
women, Mr. Baldwin does not
appear to have sufficient influence
with Mr. MacDonald to get the
position of Minister of Education
given to the Duchess of Atholl, but
suffers the appointment to go to Sir
Donald Macleod, whose only claim
seems to be his fidelity to Mr. Lloyd
George.

THE CLAIMS OF MERIT.

Is it not Gilbertian? Ghosts are
popularly supposed to slip away at
the first breath of the dawn. At the
first whiff of tariffs I should not
be surprised if the Left Wing
Liberals steal away to rejoin Mr.
Lloyd George and Mr. Lansbury,
and I for one should not be sorry.
Sir Archibald Sinclair is a High-
land laird with a famous name; he
is a pleasant and energetic ex-
liferguardsman. I have not a word
to say against him, except that his
activity has mainly been employed
in carrying out the commands of
Mr. Lloyd George.

But when it comes to the claims
of merit, of intellect and past
achievement, it is obvious that
Major Walter Elliot has indisput-
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In my opinion the attached is the best advertise-
ment which has appeared in the Hong Kong
Daily Press, between the dates of November 28
and December 25. I enclose a letter giving
reasons for my choice. I have read the conditions
of this competition and agree to abide by them.

Signed Mr.
Mrs.
Miss

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Cabbage
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Cabbage
Apple Dumping
Fruit, Tea or Coffee

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| 1 Pt. D.O.M. | 1 Qt. Old Brown Sherry, Black Seal. |
| 1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy. | 1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin. |
| 2 Qts. King George IV Gold Label or Perfection Whisky. | 1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy. |
| | 1 Phial Pomeranian Bitters. |

No. 2 HAMPER—\$55.

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| 1 Qt. Guilletart Champagne. | 2 Qts. Tawny Dry Port. |
| 1 Pt. D.O.M. | 2 Qts. St. Julien Claret. |
| 1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy. | 1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin. |
| 1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy. | 1 Qt. Vin de Paste Sherry. |
| 2 Qts. King George IV Gold Label or Perfection Whisky. | 1 Phial Pomeranian Bitters. |

No. 3 HAMPER—\$50.

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| 1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy. | 1 Qt. Tower Brand Brandy. |
| 1 Pt. G.F. Peppermint. | 1 Qt. Amontillado Sherry. |
| 1 Pt. D.O.M. | 1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin. |
| 2 Qts. Superior Rich Old Port. | 2 Qts. Medoc Claret. |
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OUR RESPONSIBILITY IN AIR ROUTES.

HONG KONG CAN BE A

GREAT AIR PORT.

[By MAJOR E. B. BRANSTON, CREAGH.]

In our own small, Oolong, and with our minds given over, for the greater part of our time, to purely local affairs, it is only natural that we should take some time considering such a proposition as the Far Eastern Commercial Aviation Company, the necessity of which I am continually urging. Each point of view adopted helps the accuracy of the final judgment, therefore I propose to use this week's space to put the proposition in a new light.

Before I begin, however, I would like to correct a mis-statement which occurred in last week's article. In referring to Neville Stoddard's one-day flight from London to Constantinople I mentioned that his machine was a Fairey. I was influenced, probably, by subconscious knowledge of this company's wonderful long distance machines, such as that which is now ready to fly from England to South Africa. Stoddard actually used a Vickers-Napier, a smaller machine than the other, and one designed for quick, long-distance freight work. Although the error is not a serious one I owe it to the local agents of the Vickers firm to give the credit where it is properly due. I hope they will accept my apology.

Ocean-going Flying Boats.

In a recent number of the *Times Trade and Engineering Supplement*, that of November 7, to be exact, there is a valuable series of articles written around the ocean-going flying boat.

The upshot of these authoritative writings is that there is no such thing in the world, America, although her lines cross the Gulf of Mexico from north to south, has not produced one nor has she shown any signs of attempting the task. Great things have been said and written about the Do-X, which has a loaded weight of 53 tons, by far the largest in the world to-day, but the best judgment of this ship is that of her designer, Dr. Dornier, who confesses that she is not intended for rough seas—and her experience since leaving Europe have borne this out.

France and Italy have good craft, which have given satisfaction in coastal work in the Mediterranean, but they are not to be compared with the British in sea-worthiness. Even the latter craft, which have crossed from Egypt to Europe under really bad conditions, have, on many occasions, prudently been held up in some of the roughest weather. The French, to-day, have adopted the Short Calcutta and are building it under license. Italy, but for her intense patriotism, would be the gainer by making a similar arrangement.

The Atlantic Service.

The U.S.A., France and Great Britain, are all keenly interested in setting up an Atlantic service, and have gone to the length of agreeing on the joint use of the Azores-Bermuda route whenever the idea can be realized. Great Britain, in another direction, that of maintaining its Empire services independently of foreign ports, is being forced to give serious thought to the development of craft which will solve both problems. It is of interest, therefore, to examine the form which this development is taking.

The Short, Kent, with four Bristol Jupiter engines, which has fulfilled requirements both of Imperial Airways for two years and of the Royal Air Force for several years has a loaded weight of only thirteen tons; the six-engined

Vickers-Supermarine boat, now being built at Southampton, will weigh thirty-five tons. This boat has been officially described by the Air Ministry as "the Mediterranean type." In the Report on the Progress of Civil Aviation, 1930, the Air Ministry have laid down provisional specifications for a flying boat, capable of ocean flights, of a laden weight of sixty tons, a normal range at a cruising speed of 120 m.p.h. of 600 miles, and a maximum range, with full load, and at this cruising speed, of 2,500 miles.

1,200 Horse Power Engines. Whereas the supermarine is being constructed to carry forty passengers, the projected boat will probably leave room for seventy, a half of which number must have sleeping accommodation provided for them. Compare this machine with the Do-X, of fifty-three tons, which has twelve engines developing a total of only 7,200 horse power, giving a power loading of 18.5 lbs. per h.p., much higher than is customary with British machines. In the 80 ton ship, with the new 1,500 h.p. Rolls Royce power unit, which is being produced as a result of the Schneider Trophy work, eight engines would bring the loading down to 14 pounds per horse power, a reasonable figure, while ten engines, loaded at 11.3 pounds per horse power, would be ample for the extra risks of a trans-oceanic service. Mr. Oswald Short, one of our leading designers and manufacturers of sea-going aircraft, writing in the Air Annual of the British Empire (Gale and Polden, 21s net.) declares that he can foresee "no technical obstacles in the provision of a flying boat of 60 to 70 tons loaded weight; provided engines of high power, fewer in number, become available. They will be really seaworthy and very fast in the air." He hopes that the indisputable lead which has been gained by British designers will not be lost "by lack of what may be termed a sea sense on the part of those who control the air policy of Britain."



Similar Conditions in East. I echo Mr. Short's hope, and I give to it a local flavour by saying that conditions in the Far East, on routes that I have discussed in papers previously published in these columns, are approximately the half-way standard between those found in the Mediterranean and in the Atlantic. The "Mediterranean Type" Supermarine should be almost perfect for this part of the world, the new projected ocean going type would be too large for the traffic of the next few years. I advocate a realization among the nations of the Far East of their respective interests, and I would like to see them adopt an arrangement, similar to that arrived at as regards the Azores-Bermuda route, covering the route which I have laid down—Rangoon to Japan and Dairen to Australia. I would urge those who control the policy of Hong Kong, and those who hold sway of its financial strength, not to show a lack of sea sense in their development of an air sense.

An Investigation Wanted.

In my opinion the time is ripe to make a serious and properly equipped investigation into the circumstances bearing on the question of commercial aviation in this part of the world. If we act now we shall have the advantage of making the first move: we shall preserve the prestige of Britain by calling our neighbours together into consultation with us on our own territory. Further, we shall be working to a patriotic end, for as things stand at present, British machines would legitimately be used in the event of a service being decided upon. We should receive the support of British manufacturers and be encouraging them as much by the lessons they would learn by the use of their machines out here as by the actual value of the purchases made by us. Lastly, we should be forging the last link in the essential world chain of main flying routes, the rest of which is either in operation, in construction or in definite plan. No one has yet planned what I suggest. Let our leaders lead!

NAVAL FLYING CLUB.

NEW ENTERPRISE FOR OFFICERS.

HOME AND OVERSEAS PORTS.

A club for past and present officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines who are interested in flying has been formed, and is called the Royal Naval Flying Club.

Its headquarters are at Hanworth Park. At Heston Aerodrome, only three miles away, the Household Brigade Flying Club has its quarters and machines.

In order to provide for naval officers at the home ports arrangements are being made at local aerodromes. Thus, at Hamble, where the Hampshire Aeroplane Club is stationed, members of the R.N. Flying Club will find facilities for flying, and when the Hampshire Club moves to the new Portsmouth aerodrome they will be provided for there. It is hoped also to make arrangements at Chatham, Plymouth, and overseas ports.

The chairman of the committee of the new club is Rear-Admiral P.E.E. Drax.

The Tall-First 'Planes.

Hanworth Park becomes more the centre of varied flying interests. Here the London 'Busmen's Club, possessing one tuition machine, is hard at work. One member has qualified for his "A" certificate.

One of the attractions at Hanworth is the frequency of interesting foreign visits. At present the Focke Wulf tall-first machine, which is D. 1900, may suggest it is a machine of the future.

'PLANE FOR NEW KENT BOMBER SQUADRON.

'CITY OF CANTERBURY.'

A Virginia aircraft of No. 500 (County of Kent) (Bomber) Squadron was formally named the "City of Canterbury" at Manston Aerodrome, Kent, recently. The ceremony was performed by the Mayor of Canterbury, in the presence of Group Capt. Sidney Smith, O.B.E., the officer commanding, Manston, Wing-Commander L. Forbes, officer commanding No. 500 Squadron, and other squadron officers. There was also a parade of about 500 men, with the station band in attendance.

No. 500 Squadron is a night bomber squadron, and was formed at Manston in March last. One aircraft belonging to the squadron is named "The Isle of Thanet." The squadron offers an opportunity to young men to learn one of the aeronautical trades, as there are still vacancies in it for recruits.

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BRITAIN'S AIR SPEED RECORDS.

OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED.

Britain's air speed records have now received official confirmation. The Royal Aero Club has received notification from the International Aeronautical Federation, Paris, that the speeds were confirmed as follows:

World's Greatest Speed.—Flt.-Lt. O. H. Stainforth on a Supermarine Rolls-Royce S.6B, 685 kilometres per hour—representing 427 miles per hour.

One Hundred Kilometres Record.—Flt.-Lt. J. N. Boothman, on a Supermarine Rolls-Royce S.6B, 251.8 kilometres per hour—representing 156.5 miles per hour.

FAST ARMY PLANES FOR FRANCE.

TO FLY AT 217 M.P.H.

Paris, Nov. 8.—France is to build a fleet of fast fighting aeroplanes next year which will fly at a speed of more than 200 miles per hour. M. Dumassat, the French Air Minister, revealed this plan to-day. He declared that the new machines would be equipped with an engine which has just been perfected.

This engine is an 800 horse-power super-compressed Hispano-Suiza, which weighs 1,000 lb., and enables an aeroplane to be flown at a speed of 350 kilometres (217 miles) per hour. The Lorraine, Renault and Gnome-Rhone firms will also be commissioned to construct similar types of engines for the Air Ministry.

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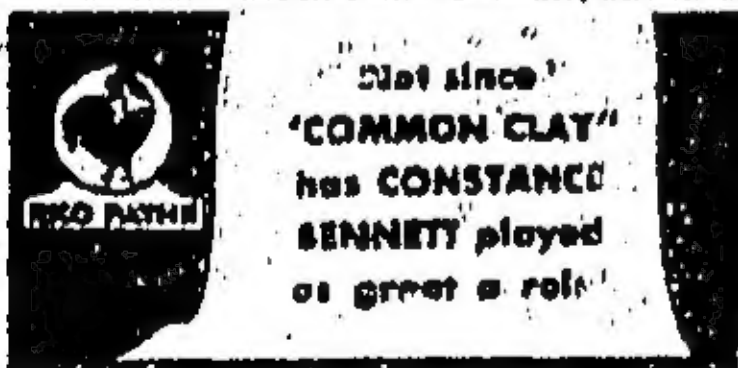
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Tobin.
World.
"Iron Hero."
Chinese Picture.

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"Madam Satan," with Ro-
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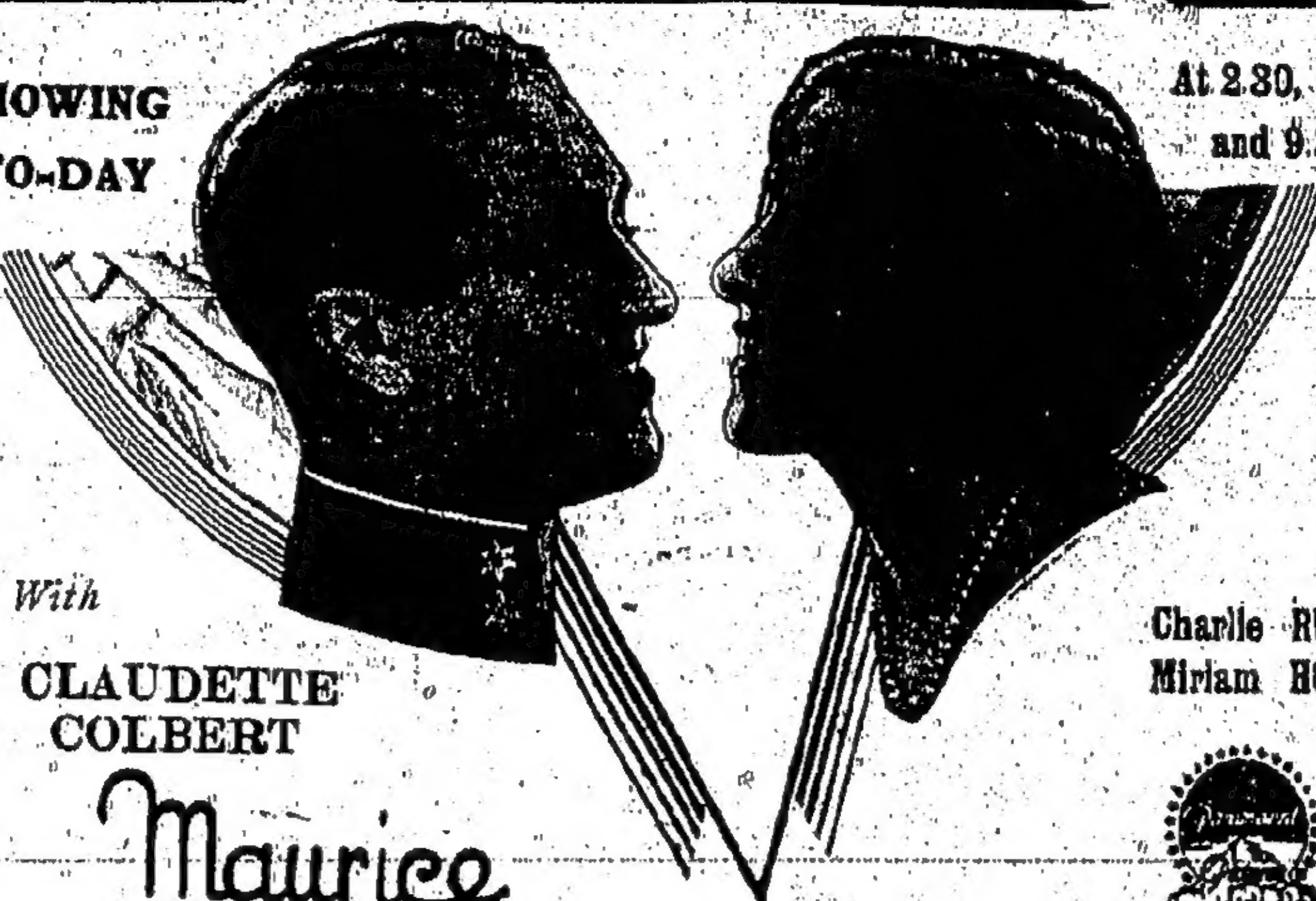
Queen's.
"The Great Lover."
"On, Sailors Behave."
Central.
"Son God," with Richard Arlen
and Way Pray.
"The Right to Love," with
Ruth Chatterton, on Thurs-
day.
"Moths Millions."
King's.
"East Lynne."
"Bad Girl."
"Daddy Long Legs."
Janet Gayner and Warner
Baxter.
World.
"Love's Identity" (Part 2)
(Chinese picture).
"Be Yourself."
Star.
"Remote Control."
"Golden Call."
"Rough Romance."
"On Your Back."

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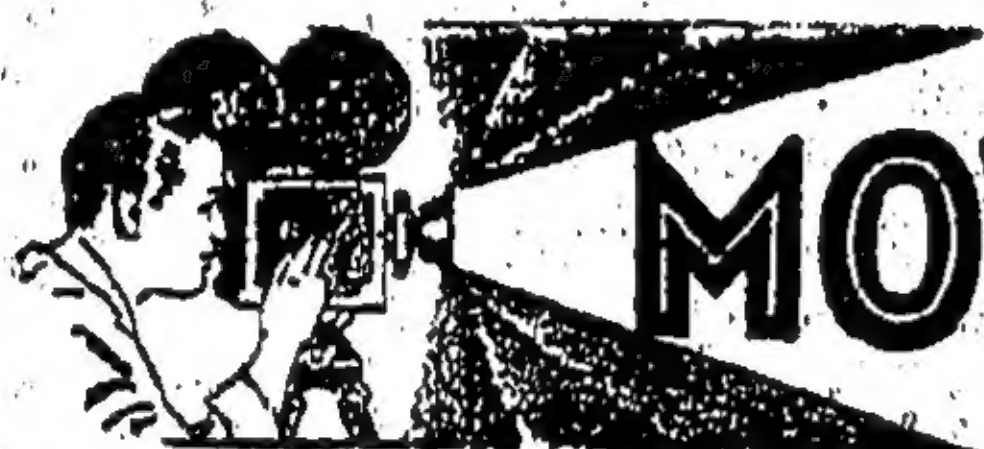


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MOVIE NEWS

ON THE SCREEN IN HONG KONG.

"THE SEA GOD."

CLAIMS SCHOONER AS
SACRIFICE.

A veteran sailing schooner that
had visited every port of the South
Sea Islands during a long and
varied career has made its last
voyage. Sacrificed to the film in-
dustry, it lies at the bottom of the
Pacific, a charred mass of wreckage.
As its career had been colourful,
so was its ending. While flames
burned through its seasoned tim-
bers and rotting rigging, sound
cameras recorded the spectacle.
The funeral pyre was lighted
for Paramount's "The Sea God,"
a nautical adventure featuring
Richard Arlen and Fay Wray.
Two hundred and seventy-two
natives bore down on the doomed
vessel in fantastic shell decorated
war canoes, staged a realistic mimic
attack and then put it to the torch.
Through being burned for the
screen, the schooner escaped rotting
at a dock. Its days of seafaring
were drawing to an end and it was
selected for sacrifice because of that
fact.

"THE SMILING LIEUTENANT."

One of the screen's leading per-
sonalities, known the world over for
his songs and his vivacity is show-
ing at the King's Theatre to-day
in his new starring picture, "The
Smiling Lieutenant," directed by
Ernest Lubitsch, maker of "The
Love Parade" and "The Patriot."
He is Maurice Chevalier whose
love-making and singing have made
him the idol of two continents.

"The Smiling Lieutenant" is a
Viennese romance founded on the
musical comedy "A Waltz Dream."
It has the star of another Chevalier
screen success, "The Big Pond,"
Claudette Colbert, in one of the
leading feminine roles; and with
Miriam Hopkins, in an equally im-
portant role, and with Charlie
Ruggles, a most lovable comedian,
in an important supporting part.

The story deals with the romance
of a young lieutenant of the guards,
whose smile gets him involved with
two women, one, a cabaret per-
former whom he loves, the other an
old-fashioned princess who loves
him and whom he is forced to
marry. How this marriage turns
his life topsy-turvy, and how the
unwanted wife turns the tables
on her rival, is the theme of the
romance.

AMERICA'S GIRL FRIEND



Alice White who is
now appearing in the
Queen's Theatre at-
traction, "Show Girl
in Hollywood."

"THE GREAT LOVER."

ROMANCE AND COMEDY
AT QUEEN'S.

Comedy and romance, cleverly
mixed together, are the ingredients
of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "The
Great Lover," which will be at the
Queen's Theatre from Sunday.

"The Great Lover" offers
Adolphe Menjou, the suave lover,
in the title role which Leo Dietrich-
stein made so famous on the stage.

Menjou provides the romance,
with his sparkling love affairs with
six beautiful girls; while Ernest
Torrence, Cliff Edwards and Roscoe

Ates carry the main comedy burden.
Torrence is Menjou's Valet, Ed-
wards a grand opera press agent,
and Ates a stuttering reporter.

Other players of prominence are
Irene Dunne of "Cimarron" as an
aspirant for grand opera honours,
who nearly "burns her fingers"
owing to her ambition; Neil Hamil-
ton of "Strangers May Kiss" as
the young lover; Hale Hamilton and
Bacalanova.

"The Great Lover" was directed
by Harry Beaumont of "The
Broadway Melody," "Our Danc-
ing Daughters," "Our Blushing
Brides" and "Dance, Fools,
Dance" fame.

It was adapted by Gene Markey
and Edgar Allan Woolf from the
stage play of Leo Dietrichstein and
Frederick and Fanny Hatton.

AN "EAST LYNNE" STAR.

OPINION ON TALKIE
TECHNIQUE.

The high standard of talkies sup-
plied by Fox Movietone has given
the actress and actor of the screen
much added work, according to
Conrad Nagel, one of the first stars
to attain success in the new
medium and who is featured with
Olive Brook in "East Lynne,"
Frank Lloyd's Fox Film produc-
tion, starring Ann Harding. The
picture is coming soon to the
King's Theatre.



Conrad Nagel in "East Lynne."

"When I made my first talking
picture," says Nagel, "there was
much to desired in the matter of
accurate recording, and some pic-
tures certainly gave us voices of
which we were far from proud."



Ann Harding in "East Lynne."

However, with the improve-
ment of sound recording came a
new hurdle for the player to clear.
Better sound recording meant that
(Continued at foot of next column.)

ROMEO IN PYJAMAS.

BUSTER KEATON AS
LADIES' MAN.

In this, his latest picture, Buster
Keaton has wandered into some-
thing of a cul-de-sac. Like many
other American solo comedians, he
gets his best effects as an individual
isolated in a world less real, less
human, than himself. Unlike
others he personifies mind con-
quering matter. His slow per-
spiring brain ranges over a
field of matter which moves
much too fast for him to keep up
with it; yet he plods on and dog-
gedly wrests order from chaos. His
victories over mischances are like
that of the tortoise over the hare.

In "Romeo in Pyjamas" we
have the same slow conquest of a
hostile world. But it suffers be-
cause all the characters are, so to
speak, on the same plane of reality
as the star. One would not call
them human, but they are no more
inhuman than he; extremely im-
probable people, but not grotesque.
Still, he gets a good deal of fun
out of a preposterous yard. Circum-
stances compel him, a mild inoffen-
sive man, to play the part of a
great lady-killer. The *ars amatoria*
does not come easily to him; he
learns with painful effort and fre-
quent reference to written instruc-
tions. But, in his dogged way, he
learns. There is a good typical
Keaton touch when he is sending
off invitations to the wedding; he
has a dog sitting on the table, and
keeps handing the stamps to it for
licking. Charlotte Greenwood, as
an Amazonian instructress in
gallantry, plays in an admirably
boisterous vein, and Cliff Edwards
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Corporation, new records are al-
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JACK MULHALL, MINER.

STAR OF TO-DAY'S PICTURE
AT QUEEN'S.

Jack Mulhall, screen star, has
found a new diversion. He has
become a gold-digger who takes the
precious metal right out of the
ground. Following the completion
at the First National Studios of
"Show Girl in Hollywood," which
is coming to-day to the Queen's
Theatre, Mulhall spent a week in
the desert hills in Eastern Cali-
fornia prospecting for ore, which
has become a fad with him. Alice
White appears with him in "Show
Girl in Hollywood."

We must all be more careful of our
diction. Each little flaw was cap-
tured by the microphone and our
future as talking picture stars de-
pended upon giving performances
above technical criticism. To-day
an actor, or actress, must be able
to not only express through action
and facial expression the emotion
that he or she interprets, but the
voice must also express these feel-
ings.

This great improvement in re-
cording, and the development of a
more critical sense on the part of
audiences has forced those who play
in talking pictures to work harder
than ever. A reel must be studied
thoroughly and the player must get
the "feel" of the part. It is im-
possible to deceive the camera. An
unnatural move, or inconsistent
with the mood of the character, is
far more quickly detected by the
camera, and, of course, on the
screen, than it is on the stage.

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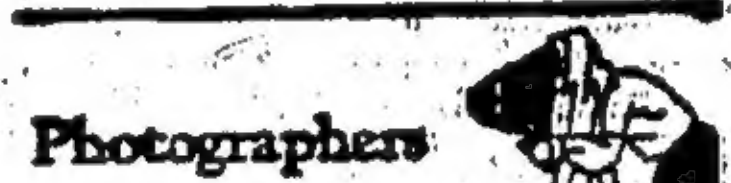
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CANDID CRITICISM OF THE NATIONAL CABINET.

(Continued from Page 1.)

ably stronger claims to the Secretaryship for Scotland. Similarly, I have nothing to say against Sir John Gilmour, who is the quintessence of respectability. But if the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries must be in the Cabinet, for which I see no reason whatever, I submit that there are younger and newer men who have been left out, apparently because there are certain indispensable articles of furniture for every Cabinet.

A LOST OPPORTUNITY.

It has always been so. In the last century nobody could ever understand why Childers held first-rate posts in every one of Gladstone's Cabinets. The answer always was that the Prime Minister was accustomed to him, and liked his docility, which were as good reasons as most.

But we have heard so much about new blood, younger men, and promotion by merit that I am tempted to ask why Messrs. MacDonald and Baldwin have not seized this unique opportunity, which will probably never occur again, to bring into the Cabinet one or two men of between 40 and 50. There is much nonsense talked, I know, about youth, whose claims to push their elders off the stage are in these days apt to be exaggerated.

Still, I think the political cellar might be explored a little more carefully. The 1924 vintage is by this time quite ready for bottling; in another five years it may have lost its sparkle and bouquet. What is the 1924 vintage? To drop metaphor, there is a small body of Tories, in the prime of their political life, who have not been brought

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forward, thus sacrificing efficiency to party exigencies.

I cannot mention more than a few. There are Oliver Stanley, Duff Cooper, Harold Macmillan, Anthony Eden, John Buchan, and Lord Hartington. I do not say that all these men could have been put in the Cabinet; but I do say that room might have been made for one or two of them.

A PROTEST.

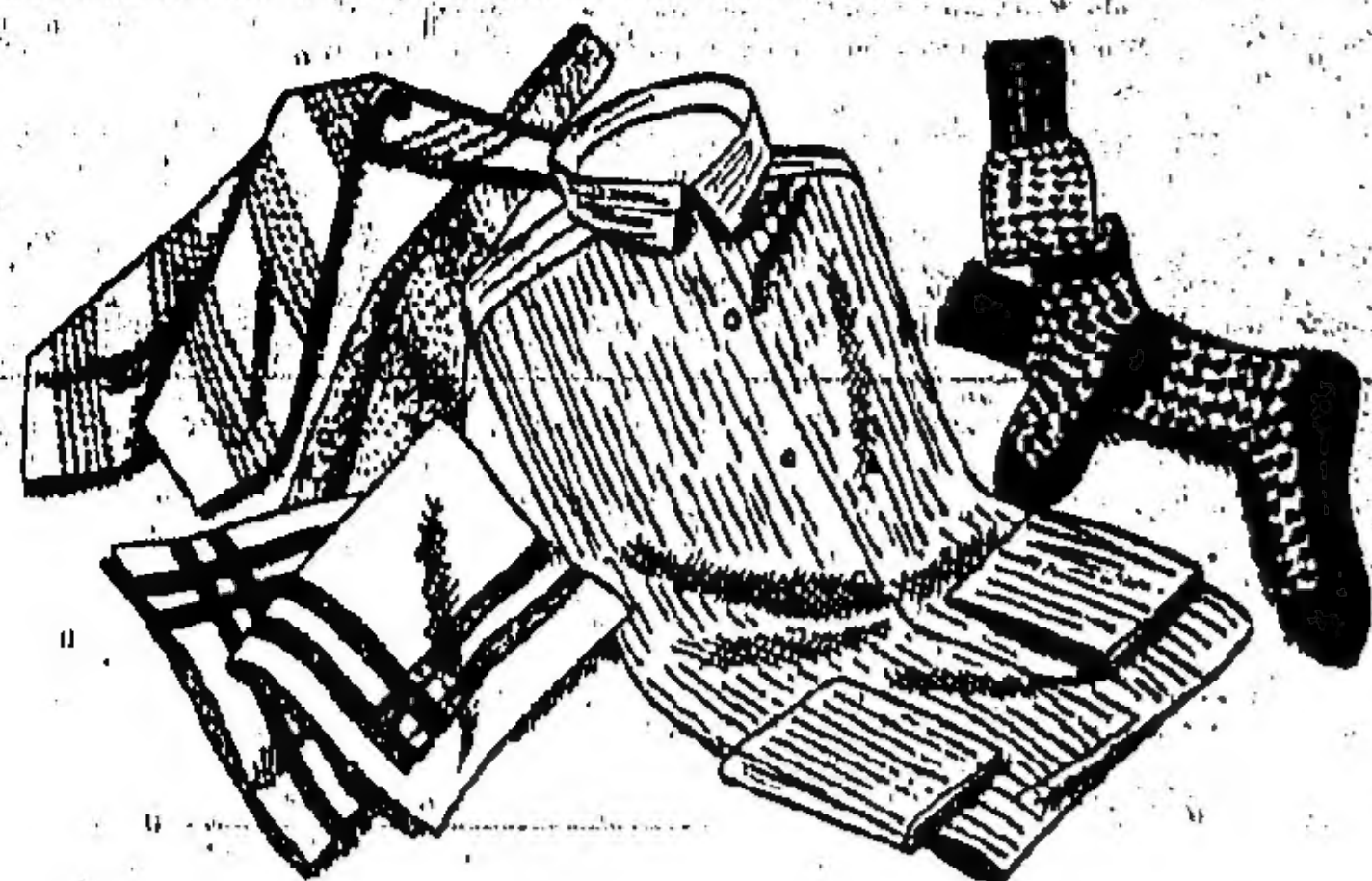
Sir Edward Hilton Young ought to have been Chancellor of the Exchequer; he has a genius for figures. Mr. Chamberlain's forte is municipal administration, and he might be appointed to straighten out his Daring Act.

I am sorry that Lord Hailsham has not recaptured the Woolpack from Lord Stanley.

I protest, against the favour shown to Left-Wing Liberals, who are a danger, and, as long as Mr. Lloyd George lives, will betray us to the Socialists.

The Tories suffer from an inferiority complex. They are hawes of wood and drawers of water. "Sic vos non vobis, cellera feris puer." The trade union secretaries, lay preachers, stokers and riveters have had their chance. The British people have decided to be governed by gentlemen, and for this decision the Conservatives need not apologise.

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K.C.C.

Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody, "the Queen of the Tennis Courts," treated Hong Kong's tennis enthusiasts to a wonderful exhibition of tennis and court craft at the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday when she appeared in exhibition matches against the Colony's leading men players. "Helen" was playing in conditions absolutely foreign to her—first of all she had to get used to the grass court and after she had spent some days in achieving this end, Jupiter Pluvius went and spoiled everything by wetting the surface of the court. In spite of this handicap, however, Mrs. Wills-Moody showed the very large number of spectators present that she is an absolute master at the game—that she is indeed the world's leading woman tennis player and also that, given enough time to get used to local court conditions, she could "put it across" the Colony's best.

The stand that was specially put up for the occasion was taxed to the limit, among those present, besides H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel, being H.E. the General Officer Commanding, Major-General J. W. Sandilands, the Hon. Mr. W. T. and Mrs. Southern, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Sir Shou-son Chow.

"Helen" and Enid Lo.

The exhibition games were scheduled to start at 2 p.m. but long before that hour the crowd was steadily streaming into the ground with the result that by the time "Helen" came on to the court she was given a very warm reception by the hundreds of tennis enthusiasts present.

Before playing her first exhibition game—a singles with Teddy Fincher—Mrs. Wills-Moody had a knock-up with Miss Enid Lo, the local lady champion and right from the start "Helen" gave the impression that she was one of the most unassuming players who knew the game thoroughly. She appeared to content herself by "loosening up" and generally taking stock of the ground conditions but by the time the ladies had finished up their knock-up, she produced some very pretty forehand drives, mixed cleverly with some backhand shots and half-volleys.

Mrs. Wills-Moody took first service in her match with Fincher and with an easy and graceful action sent the ball over the net. She took this game without conceding a point but in the next game Fincher won his own service. Play at the start was more or less confined to baseline duels and in this Mrs. Wills-Moody showed that she had included in her repertoire of strokes a very stinging forehand drive with a lot of spin.

No Quarter Given or Taken.

Despite the fact that "Teddy" was playing in a court which suited his type of play to perfection, "Helen" gave no quarter whatever and soon brought the score to 4-3 in her favour. In the eighth game, when she was love forty down, she flashed across two stinging backhand shots to make the score against her 50-30 but Teddy forced home his advantage to make the games stand 4-4. The local man took the lead for the first time when he took the score to 5-4 and from this stage the game was most evenly contested, each player claiming the game in turn until a 6 all was reached. Then Fincher ran away with the next two to clinch the set at 11-6.

Fincher played very well indeed but on a dry court one wonders whether he would have come out the winner. "Helen" was easily the more consistent of the two—she hit with better precision and was definitely more superior when it came to counterattack. Her overhead shots were very spectacular while some of her ground shots were nothing short of marvellous. She imparts a lot of spin in everyone of her strokes and this was made very apparent by reason of the fact that the shots she played came off with a terrible kick in spite of the fact that the ground was very soft.

The Doubles Game.

Following her singles match against Fincher, Mrs. Wills-Moody (Continued on next column.)

H.K. ART CLUB.

ANNUAL EXHIBITION
TO-DAY.

The annual exhibition of the Hong Kong Art Club opens to-day in Lane, Crawford's front lounge. The exhibition appears to be a particularly interesting one—this year as a greater variety of styles of painting are represented and there is an excellent arts and crafts section.

Pictures which will attract attention are the delightful flower studies of Mrs. Bowes-Smith the clever work of Commander Caudé, some vigorous oil sketches by Mnie. Marty and some really lovely etchings and aquatints exhibited by Mrs. Southby.

Amusing stone-wood designs are exhibited by Mr. Wang while Mr. A. Abbas has sent some photographs which are of extraordinary interest.

The children's section, including the work of several little artists the eldest of whom is only ten will certainly attract attention—and is worthy of it.

The exhibition will remain open for three days.

partnered H. D. Runjahn in a doubles game against M. W. Lo and S. A. Runjahn. This resulted in a win for the visitor and her partner and the match which lasted two sets, was characterized by some very hard hitting in which the world champion was very prominent. "Helen" was perhaps the best of the four players—she brought off some very brilliant overhead shots while her lightning-like forehand drives often caught her opponents with the wrong foot forward. S. A. Runjahn showed that he is still one

A WOMAN'S TURN

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MORE LETTERS FROM
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of our
Christmas Competition.

of the most versatile players we have despite the fact that he has not been playing lately. "H.D." and Lo were very steady.

"S.A." started to serve in the doubles game when he and his partner drew first blood. Mrs. Wills-Moody drew level on her service and after the score was taken to 2 games all, she and her partner ran away with the next to claim the first set at 6-2.

"Helen" took the first game in the second set on her own service and when "S.A." and Lo took the next four, it looked as if the match would go the full three sets. But here Mrs. Wills-Moody and her partner asserted themselves and not only brought the scores to read four-all, but went one better and took the set at 7-5.

Our visitor gave a "delightful" exhibition in this set and returned volley for volley, drive for drive, time and time again, to follow up with a kill. Her anticipation was almost uncanny while her placing stamped her as a tennis player streets ahead of the Colony's best.

"A Delightful Lady."

At the end of the game Lady Peel presented Mrs. Wills-Moody with a silver tea service on behalf of the H.K. Lawn Tennis Association. In calling upon Lady Peel to make the presentation, Mr. Justice Landall, President of the Tennis Association said that he wanted to say, on behalf of all tennis lovers in Hong Kong, how delighted they were to have the world's leading lady tennis player with them. The Association, too, were very proud to have had the opportunity of entertaining Mrs. Wills-Moody who had, indeed, "shed a light on our darkness." Some of those present who saw Suzanne Lenglen at her best would no doubt agree that they had some one far greater than Suzanne with them!

Lady Peel then handed the tea service over to Mrs. Wills-Moody amidst much applause. Mr. Moody was an interested spectator throughout the matches after which he and his wife were entertained to tea before boarding the S.S. President Coolidge which left for Shanghai later in the evening.

HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

SONG RECITAL BY MISS
CHAMBERLAIN.

The fortnightly musical fixtures at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, December 17, at 8.30, will take the form of a Vocal Recital by Miss Ida Hoyt Chamberlain, who is coming from Canton for the purpose.

Miss Chamberlain is well known in New York, Washington and other cities of America, not only as a singer, but as an author and composer. At the age of twenty-five, she wrote and composed a light opera, which was produced at the Lyric Theatre on Broadway, New York. The light opera was called "Enchanted Isle," which was described in the New York papers as a "musical treat," "an entertainment bordering on the delightful," and as containing "at least a half dozen possible successes among its score or more of musical numbers."

Many of her American songs have been broadcast there, and she has given many lectures on music. According to one critic, "in addition to her unusual ability as a composer and pianist, she has a rich soprano voice of rare quality and sweetness which, combined with her brilliant musical gifts, makes a most attractive personality."

Her Hong Kong programme will consist of songs in English, French and Italian, including two of her own compositions. She will be accompanied by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith, who will also give two piano solos.

Tickets, at the usual prices for these concerts, are obtainable from the Secretary of the Institute.

CASE AGAINST DETECTIVES.

EIGHT AFTERNOONS
ALLOCATED FOR HEARING.

Eight afternoons have been set aside for the case in which Detective Sergeant D. Fitches and five Chinese detectives are to appear as defendants in connection with the recent raids on the Sik Yue Club when a number of Chinese were arrested for alleged gambling.

The summonses were again formally mentioned before Mr. Grantham at the Central Police Court yesterday when his Worship adjourned the case until December 21 in the afternoon. The first four afternoons of that week have been reserved while Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons of the following week have also been set aside for the case.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin has been instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton to conduct the prosecution, while Mr. E. Davidson has retained Mr. Eldon Potter to defend.

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OFFICIAL BAN ON SPITTING.
FORTY DEATHS A WEEK IN HONG KONG.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday, the bye-laws prohibiting spitting in eating-houses were discussed. The President (Mr. G. R. Sayer), in moving the resolutions (which will be found below, and which were slightly amended by the Medical Officer of Health) said:

"The original suggestion that we should make a bye-law prohibiting spitting in eating-houses came from the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga shortly before he left the Board. I am glad to have the opportunity of giving effect to that suggestion. I am even more gratified to know that in putting this draft before the Board I have the whole-hearted support in addition to the Medical Officer of Health—of both my unofficial colleagues on the Select Committee which deals with the Licensing of Eating Houses Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. T. N. Chau. There is no doubt their opinions carry great weight with that important section of the community whose welfare we are chiefly thinking of—namely, the Chinese of slender or very slender means.

"The disease at which we aim in these bye-laws," continued Mr. Sayer, "is the disease of tuberculosis to which Mr. M. K. Lo drew the attention of the Board and the Government some seventeen months ago. I recall that, on that occasion, I remarked on the unerring precision with which Mr. Lo isolated the proper object of attack; for it has long been my conviction that tuberculosis merited our attention above all other diseases."

"Let me make again the quotation I made from the report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1921.

Significant Figures.

"The total deaths in the Colony from tuberculosis diseases during 1921 amounted to 1,894 where the total deaths from all the principal notifiable infectious diseases and including those from malaria, influenza, measles, and dysentery which are not notifiable, amounted to 1,280. This group of diseases includes typhoid and paratyphoid fever, plague, small-pox, cholera and diphtheria."

"The difference between these two totals shows 614 more deaths from tuberculosis than from all the dangerous infectious diseases from which the Colony suffers in epidemic form either continuously—as in the case of malaria—or from time to time—as in the case of plague, cholera, and small-pox.

"Tuberculosis takes its steady toll in deaths year by year and attracts no great notice."

"Since that date, forty deaths have occurred every week; 2,000 each year; 20,000 in ten years from tuberculosis."

"The attention of the Board has hitherto been distracted by plague and small-pox. But I would point out that the Colony has been entirely free from plague for the last eight years and that we have—after a good deal of groping—found the complete—the absurdly simple and the only solution to the problem of small-pox, namely vaccination."

Prevention Rather Than Cure.

"That being so, the way is clear for the Board to attack the main position—namely tuberculosis. I recall that, in supporting an amendment to Mr. M. K. Lo's resolution on the occasion referred to, which had the effect of emphasizing the importance of prevention rather than cure, I remarked that until we get an improved standard of housing, we must expect a high level of mortality from tuberculosis. "I do not wish it to be thought for one moment that I have changed my view on the vital importance

of the housing question in relation to the problem of tuberculosis. There are many old houses in the heart of the town, dark, damp,

airless, rarely penetrated by the sterilising rays of the sun which constitute a severe handicap to the efforts of the Medical Officer of Health. I am firmly convinced that no plan of attack against tuberculosis can be really satisfactory until by some means or other the bad old houses disappear.

"At the same time demolition of old houses does not provide the complete solution. There is the predisposing cause; the direct cause must also receive attention. And, as I hope to satisfy you by quotation from a distinguished Medical Officer—by far the most important direct cause is simply the habit of spitting."

"The quotation is taken from a report on tuberculosis made also in 1921—by Dr. H. H. Scott. Dr. Scott was at the time Government Bacteriologist here and accordingly had ample opportunity of obtaining his facts at first hand. He is, I believe, to-day a member of the staff of the London School of Tropical Medicine."

Overcrowding.

"The foregoing (the design of Chinese tenement houses and overcrowding) constitute the main predisposing causes, but the direct cause of the prevalence of tuberculosis in Hong Kong is, *foetie* principle, the expectoration habit. The prevalence of tuberculosis is closely connected with social and economic conditions—overcrowding and slums, poverty, insanitation and squalor."

"With regard to overcrowding, little, if anything can be done; the space available is limited, and the population is relatively large and is increasing. The question reduces itself, for practical purposes, to the finding of a remedy for the spitting habit in the first place. I am convinced that it is the expectation on the floors of the rooms in which the people live that is the chief source of the bacilli. It is evident, then that in discouraging spitting by all means at our disposal we shall be taking all essential steps, and it seems to me that the persistence of bad old houses only makes it more urgent to check a bad old habit."

Must Start Somewhere.

"I may be asked why we single out eating houses for special attention. The answer is two-fold.

(1) In the first place, we must start somewhere.

(2) Apart from the obvious reason, which will occur to everyone, the eating house appears to be particularly appropriate. For there are a considerable number distributed throughout the town—there are some 800 tenement floors licensed as eating houses, where people of the middle class congregate in the aggregate in considerable numbers to take their meals.

"It is hoped that the eating houses will provide a channel by which this vital advice will percolate to what Dr. Scott describes as the chief source of the bacilli—the floors of the rooms in which the people live."

Bye-Laws Passed.

The following bye-laws were then put before the members and were passed unanimously:—

(a) No person shall spit in any eating houses except in spittoons provided for the purpose.

(b) The licensee shall cause to be continuously displayed, in a conspicuous position on every floor of his licensed premises, while such premises are open to the public, a notice, of a size and form approved by the Board, and in a language prescribed by the Board, requiring his customers not to spit on the floor; provided that the Board may, in its discretion, exempt in writing any premises from the above requirement.

Mr. Pope, the Medical Officer of Health, in seconding the resolution, stated that it might be safer slightly to amend the bye-law from the word "notice" to "notices," and after the word "requirement," at the end (Continued at foot of next column.)

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY'S TRANSACTIONS.

In view of the substantial rise in exchange the market on the whole opened fairly steady yesterday with no material change in prices.

Sales.

Hong Kong Realities, \$12.15.
China Lights, \$27.95.

Buyers.

Bank of East Asia, \$129.
Wharves, \$151.
Hotels (now), \$14.70.
Hong Kong Lands, \$804.
Chinese Estates, \$85.
China Lights, \$27.80.
Canton Teas, \$31.
Sincere, \$154.
Entertainments (old), \$164.
Entertainments (new), \$18.
Shanghai Explorations, \$2.40.
Providents (old), \$5.10.
Providents (new), \$2.35.
Hong Kong Realities, \$12.15.
Star Ferries, \$95.
Electric, 79.
Lane, Crawfords (old), \$64.
Amusements, \$194.

Sellers.

Banks, \$1,540.
Rauba, \$43.
China Lights, \$28.
Bank of East Asia, \$129.
Venezuela Goldfields, \$2.
S.O. Enterprises, \$16.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A fair amount of business was put through during the day at prices slightly lower than the opening of this morning.

Sales.

Unions, \$425/\$430.
Providents (old), \$51.
Telephones (part paid), \$28.

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\$10.00 out of our total of \$100.00 offered as prizes in our Christmas Competition has been won. There are still \$90.00 which you may win.

See the details of our Christmas Competition on page 12.

Whampoa Docks, \$20.
China Lights, \$27.90/\$27.95.

Buyers.

Underwriters, \$4.00.
Humphreys (old), \$18.
Realities, \$12.05.
China Lights, \$27.80.
Providents (old), \$5.15.
Ewon, \$19.
Trams, \$21.10.
Entertainments (old), \$171.
Sellers.
Providents (old), \$5.35.
Realities, \$12.15.

of the sentence, add the following words "and may revoke such exemptions" in order that the Board may have more room to utilise its power.

(c) The licensee shall cause any phlegm, spit or saliva found on the floor of his premises to be promptly swept up and removed; and in the event of his providing one or more spittoons, shall cause a sufficient quantity of a disinfectant fluid to be kept continuously in such spittoons while in use; and shall thoroughly cleanse them daily at the close of business.

Those present, besides the President, were:—Dr. G. W. Pope (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. J. H. Gelling (Secretary) and Mr. H. Hargreaves, (Assistant Secretary.)

POOR DAY BAZAAR.

DRAWING AND RAFFLE RESULTS.

Below we publish some of the results of the drawings and raffles held by the various stalls at the bazaar organised by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, which was held on Sunday.—

American Stall (Special).

First Drawing.—1st prize (1 cutlery set) ticket No. 51, Dolly Wong; 2nd prize (1 cake stand) ticket No. 56, Mrs. Beattie; 3rd prize (1 sweet dish) ticket No. 98, S. Sequeira; 4th prize (1 cake dish) ticket No. 80, Vivian Pong; 5th prize (1 kitchen set) ticket No. 11, Diana Kinoshita.

Second Drawing.—1st prize (1 pin cushion) ticket No. 40, Gloria Monroe; 2nd prize (1 powder box) ticket No. 83, Angus Ozorio; 3rd prize (1 powder puff) ticket No. 49, E. B. Weir; 4th prize (1 handkerchief box) ticket No. 22, Y. N. Row; 5th prize (1 dancer) ticket No. 90, Phyllis Motta.

Third Drawing.—1st prize (1 billiard table) ticket No. 91, J. M. Silva; 2nd prize (1 doll set) ticket No. 87, P. K. Khan; 3rd prize (1 Euroka) ticket No. 50, Spere; 4th prize (1 pyramid Hopla) ticket No. 78, W.S.; 5th prize (1 printing) ticket No. 14, A. Rollin.

Fifth Drawing.—1st prize (1 doll house) ticket No. 91, J. M. Silva; 2nd prize (1 blue doll) ticket No. 87, P. K. Khan; 3rd prize (1 Euroka) ticket No. 50, Spere; 4th prize (1 wheel barrow), J. da Boza; 5th prize (1 ping pong set), E. Walker.

Sixth Drawing.—1st prize (1 cushion), A. Golicki; 2nd prize (1 blue doll), I. W. Cressey; 3rd prize (1 Euroka); C. G. Harian; 4th prize (1 wheel barrow), J. da Boza; 5th prize (1 ping pong set), E. Walker.

Seventh Drawing.—1st prize (1 doll house) ticket No. 85, E. Curtis; 2nd prize (1 coffee pot) ticket No. 15, Mrs. L. Gascon; 3rd prize (1 box blocks) ticket No. 49, Tang Chung Wei; 4th prize (1 counters) ticket No. 8, Father D. Ayala; 5th prize (1 motor cycle game), ticket No. 17, H. Dixon.

Eighth Drawing.—1st prize (1 baby doll), M. T. Murphy; 2nd prize (1 tea set), Nora Zimmern; 3rd prize (1 daisy set), L. Rocha; 4th prize (1 box blocks), Maria J. da Cruz; 5th prize (1 ping pong set), F. Prata.

American Stall.

First Drawing.—1st prize (1 large doll) ticket No. 49, Cissy Lee; 2nd prize (1 doll set) ticket No. 78, E. E. Osmund; 3rd prize (1 tea set) ticket No. 118, F. K. Modi; 4th prize (1 doll) ticket No. 49, Roy Danenberg; 5th prize (1 kitchen game) ticket No. 66, M. P. Talati.

Second Drawing.—1st prize (1 baby doll) ticket No. 42, Francis Chim; 2nd prize (1 doll) ticket No. 62, Timothy Murphy; 3rd prize (1 doll) ticket No. 29, Maria Lobato; 4th prize (1 shuttle cock) ticket No. 102, T. S. Wan; 5th prize (1 bow and arrow set) ticket No. 96, Francis Chim.

Third Drawing.—1st prize (1 baby doll) ticket No. 83, Wu Yuen; 2nd prize (1 blue doll) ticket No. 117, M. P. Talati; 3rd prize (1 doll) ticket No. 76, H. Dixon; 4th prize (1 set blocks) ticket No. 50, E. Antonio; 5th prize (1 house building blocks) ticket No. 3, J. Pereira.

Fourth Drawing.—1st prize (1 baby doll) ticket No. 80, J. M. Fonseca; 2nd prize (1 doll) ticket No. 46, Chan Wai Lam; 3rd prize (1 Euroka), ticket No. 34, Mrs. Tion; 4th prize (1 railway set) ticket No. 49, Lanna; 5th (1 set building blocks) ticket No. 4, M. Y. Lam.

Fifth Drawing.—1st prize (1 big doll) ticket No. 84, Mario B.; 2nd prize (1 doll) ticket No. 30, A. Soares; 3rd prize (1 baby doll) ticket No. 100, J. E. Rocha; 4th prize (1 Euroka) ticket No. 53, E. W. Curtis; 5th prize (1 cow boy game) ticket No. 31, A. A. Xavier.

Sixth Drawing.—1st prize (1 doll) ticket No. 91, H. Dixon; 2nd prize (1 doll) ticket No. 102, M. A. Cameroo; 3rd prize (1 daisy set) ticket No. 45, Eudina Aranjio; 4th (Continued on next column.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

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"MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND."

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—In connection with the alteration in the time of commencing the evening performances of "Miss Hook of Holland," may I be allowed, on behalf of my Committee, to express their regret for any inconvenience to which ladies and gentlemen who have already bought tickets may be put.

The Overture, which is short—about six minutes—will commence at 9 p.m. sharp each evening and at 4.30 sharp for the matinee, and the public are requested to be in their seats by that time.—I am, etc.,

H. J. BEST,
Hon. Secretary,
H.K. Philharmonic Society.
Hong Kong, Dec. 8.

BETTER BROADCAST-CASTING.

Z.B.W. WILL SOON BE HEARD IN MANILA.

NEW STATION TO BE READY IN JANUARY.

A new transmitting radio station, with all the latest broadcasting developments embodied, is now being installed at Cape d'Aguilar and in all probability will be in operation by the end of January next year, when listeners in should find a much improved reception.

The new station will enable local programmes to be broadcast without much interference. Equipment of the latest type was ordered from England during the early part of the year and regular consignments have been received during the past few months. It is now confidently expected that the new station will be completed by the end of January. The few parts that are still required to make the station complete are already on the way East and are expected to arrive within a few weeks.

The new station will be designed on the same lines as new transmitting sets recently installed in India and parts of the Far East. It is hoped that, while giving local listeners a stronger and clearer reception, ordinary four valve sets in the outports will be enabled to pick Hong Kong up without difficulty. Ordinary sets north of Shanghai and as far south as Manila will be enabled to tune in to Z.B.W. when the new station is in working order.

prize (1 daisy set) ticket No. 35, H. Dixon; 5th prize (1 spars game) ticket No. 82, Archie N. A. Moses.

Children of Mary Stall.

Prizes to be collected from Mr. H. Dixon, Money Order Office.—1st prize, No. 299, L. G. Ribeiro; 2nd prize, No. 103, H. W. Thumb; 3rd prize, No. 62, Lily Shearer; 4th prize, No. 354, Jimmy Remedios; 5th prize, No. 307, G. V. da Rosa; 6th prize, No. 170, G. F. Gladstone; 7th prize, No. 91, Citas Remedios; 8th prize, No. 74, F. Howard; 9th prize, No. 489, Mr. E. Thompson; 10th prize, No. 358, Mr. G. J. Manrico; 11th prize, No. 80, Mrs. Gomes Carvalho; 12th prize, No. 211, Tatti Noronha.

Little Flower Stall.

1st prize, No. 62, Mr. Andrew Lee; 2nd prize, No. 19, Rev. Fr. L. M. Rossi; 3rd prize, No. 17, No. 14, Granville Road; 4th prize, No. 7, Tat Shing; 5th prize, No. 42, Miss M. S. Botelho.

"S.O.I.O." Choir Stall.

Guessing weight of cake.—Mr. S. Cruz (4lbs. 10oz.).
Raffles.—1st prize, Mr. Dixon; 2nd prize, No. 76, Mr. A. J. M. Rodrigues; 3rd prize, No. 72, Mrs. F. A. Xavier.

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REMINDER.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th Dec., 1931. [1539]

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL DINNER DANCE will be held at the PENINSULA HOTEL, Kowloon, on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18th, 1931.

Tables may be booked at the Peninsula or Hong Kong Hotels. Charge for each person \$5.00. Payment must be made when booking tables. Tickets will be issued.

By Order,
B. D. EVANS,
Hon. Secretary.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FOURTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 12th DECEMBER, 1931, commencing at 2 p.m. The First Race will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No one without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including Tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for Payment of All Obit, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon Application to the SECRETARY, Badges (limited to ONE) for the Free Admission to the Members' Enclosure of Wives, Lady Belonging and Friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On No Pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered from the No. 1 Box by 5 p.m. on the 11th DECEMBER. Telephone 21920.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00, including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, The Tax Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Premises of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Hong Kong, 7th Dec., 1931. [1540]

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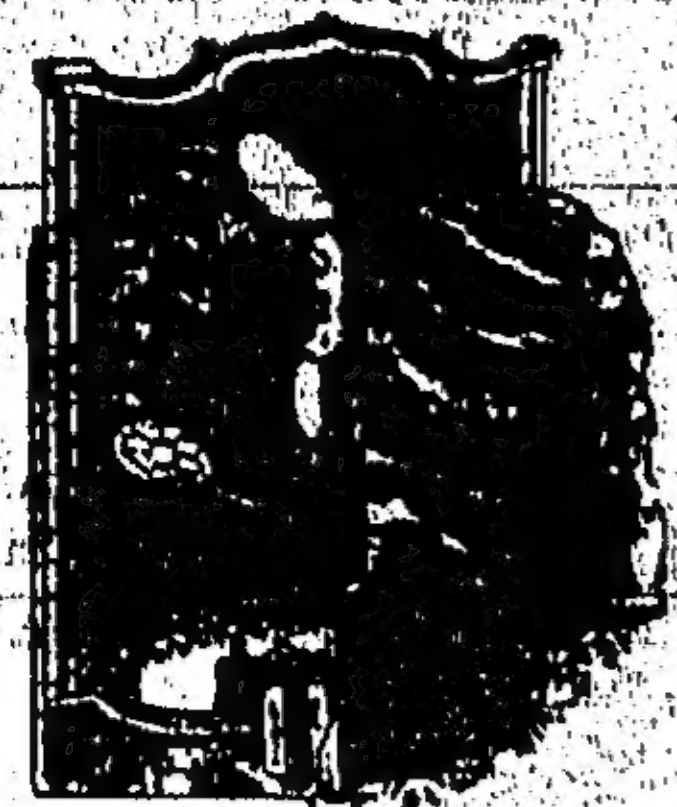
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BIRTHS.

BARNETT.—On November 23, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. BARNETT (nee FLORENCE SKIPPER), a son.

HALL.—On December 2, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. HALL, a son.

ROBERTSON.—On December 1, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. M. ROBERTSON, a daughter, IRENE CHRISTINA.

ENGAGEMENT.

PRICE-KENDALL.—A marriage has been arranged, and will take place in Peking on January 7, 1932, between JOHN PLAYFAIR PRICE, of His Britannic Majesty's Legation in China, and ALICE ELIZABETH (Betty), only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. KENDALL of Peking and Boston, Massachusetts.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, DECEMBER 9, 1931.

THE ART OF LETTERS IN HONG KONG.

British people, particularly those from England, are constantly given to understand that they have no artistic sense, sport having usurped the place that should rightly be held by poetry, music, and kindred expressions of the higher faculties. The reproach has been levied with such persistence that many of us have come to take it for granted, and to consider, in self-defence, that the arts are only for foreigners.

In any British community there soon appear tennis courts, a cricket pitch, golf posts, a bowling green and a race-course if the place is large enough to have a garrison. But a group of British people must be small indeed if there is no form of dramatic society, an art-club and literary society. It would be rash to say that as many people actively practise the arts, as take part in sport, but the respective figures would be interesting.

We have before us a pile of publications written and printed in Hong Kong and all of very real merit. For the most part the authors have no object beyond the pleasure in their work, and the hope of giving information and amusement to friends of similar tastes and interests. "Any profit accruing from the sale of this booklet will be remitted to St. Dunstan's," says ROBERT MACWHIRTER, and this is the spirit of the arts in Hong Kong.

S. A. SWISS' "A Hong Kong Sketch Book" beautifully produced by Ye Olds Printers, Ltd., will make an ideal gift book to people in England. What a pity the volume did not appear in time to catch the Christmas Mail! The illustrations catch the atmosphere

of the Colony and though the illustrations will not be of much value except to lay-abouts, the home-folk will gather from it a good idea of local manners and customs.

The November number of the Hong Kong Naturalist contains two more delightful bird pictures by A. M. HUGHES. This series is well worth framing, particularly by people who have nursery walls to decorate. To those who take any interest in animal and plant life The Naturalist is indispensable. All through the pages reflect the quiet scholarship of Dr. G. A. C. HENRIKSSON, the Editor, and of his colleague Major H. P. W. HUTTON, R.E.

The Christmas number of The Rock includes, as usual, articles of interest to a far wider circle than that particularly addressed. Both world affairs and Far Eastern affairs are discussed in a manner that repays reading by anyone, no matter how good an authority he may consider himself. Much of the matter is addressed to the Roman Catholic community, but there is no parochialism about this publication.

It is not every cathedral magazine that can command the co-operation of a leading novelist, but St. John's Review has a faithful and generous supporter in STELLA BENSON, who gives this month further Notes Upon Books. The articles by H. DU T. PYNK on Chinese Porcelain and on Architecture by A. TRISTIAN EDWARDS, A.R.I.B.A., are of general interest and authoritative on the subjects.

Chopsticks' special Christmas number will no doubt find its way into most Hong Kong drawing rooms. The publication has made its niche, by a cheerful daring, and by the excellence of its illustrations.

A certain tendency to wander too far afield from Hong Kong has been curbed this month. However cosmopolitan we may be we like to hear and read about ourselves and our doings, not only the serious things that the newspapers attend to, but the interesting trifles that are so important to our leisure hours.

Last, but by no means least is *Lawn Bowls in Hong Kong* by ROSE MACWHIRTER, our local and inimitable Scottish humourist. What wealth of anecdote and shrewd aside, in this history of the game in Hong Kong! And what a careful history with just the records that the bowler wants! Every bowler 'man' will have the book on his shelf, but who could fail to enjoy passages like this:

The real reason why I'm a bit different about speaking of bowls is that I know so little about them. There's nothing mock modest about that. Take it from me that the man who says he knows about bowls is either a liar or a bit soft in the head. Nobody knows about bowls. Bowls isn't only a matter of having a keen eye in your head nor is it a matter of knowing the green you're playing on. Bowls is a temperamental game. It's worse than playing the fiddle except that the neighbours haven't nearly so much to complain about.

A TRANSATLANTIC DEBATE.

HARVARD has challenged Oxford to a debate by wireless. It is an interesting and thoroughly amusing idea. We all know only too well the feeling of exasperated impotence which many of our broadsheet apologetes arouse when the machine says what it likes and we are powerless to reply. But here Greek will meet Greek. The teams at least will be on an equal footing. But what of the audience? A debate without heckling or interruption is a dull show and bad for the debaters' souls. If the B.B.C. and the National Broadcasting Company know their job, they will provide microphones for the back seats as well. Then at last the barracker will come into his own. His priceless jest that used to be lost on a handful of turbulent neighbours will come ringing out from the speaker's ear. There will be no question of ignoring it or talking it down, or pretending not to hear. And if it is a good joke it will get the full laugh that it deserves. There are other possibilities. There is nothing intrinsically impossible about a boat-race by television. But unfortunately for football, in spite of the popularity of broadsheet on these lines would probably never be a success. The difference between Rugby and American football is too great.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

"And what about my hat, Mr. Bailey? You seem to have forgotten about that."

"No, ma'am, I ain't forgotten it. Sides, I've got it down in my pocket book."

"Well, then, why haven't you sent it?"

"I've gone and lost the book!"

Odd Exchanges.

The Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch, American newspaper, runs an exchange column under the heading "Swaps." When it comes to swapping the Americans seem to have a queer taste, if one may judge from the following extracts—

Pony Buggy—Want to swap four-wheel, rubber-tired pony buggy, in excellent condition. Will swap for bear cub, or what you have in live stock. Reason for getting rid of pony buggy is lad who owns same no longer has pony and is six feet tall. All answers confidential.

Fitted With Flak.

Another advertiser seeks to trade a dinner jacket, known in the U.S.A. as a "tuxedo." His announcement reads:—Will swap practically brand-new tuxedo, trained to carry pint flask, for most anything a happily married man could use; not interested in anything for children; size about 40; cost \$90 dollars.

A Toothsome Swap.

But quite the most surprising transaction is suggested by "Would like to swap set of upper and lower teeth for second-hand automobile; teeth guaranteed to it. All these are authentic extracts from the newspaper already named.

A 228 Question.

A recent Parliamentary reply which occupied 21 columns of the official report, and cost 228 to print, is mentioned in a report of the Select Committee appointed to assist the Speaker in the arrangements for reporting debates and the expenditure on stationary and printing.

The 228 did not include the cost of inquiry and supervision and the delay caused to other work. The Committee recommends that M.P.s, instead of receiving bound volumes of debates free of charge, should pay 10s. a session for them.

British Coffee.

The Imperial Economic Committee have solemnly announced what most of us knew long ago. That English people do not drink enough coffee and that what they do drink in their homes is to weak and is often made from stale material.

The coffee of every country has its own idiosyncrasies. There is as much difference between the coffee of Vienna, with its crown of whipped cream, and French coffee, with its bitter tang of chicory, as there is between either the black, gritty coffee you are given in Turkey or the cream-drowned coffee beloved of Scandinavians.

The Best in the Empire.

The Arabs insist that really good coffee can only be made with water which has been standing so long that a green scum has formed on it!

The coffee made in most English homes is unusually dull, we are bound to confess. We should begin to take our coffee more seriously, especially as some of the world's best coffee is now grown in the Empire.

Mr. Coolidge Defined.

Presidents and ex-Presidents of the United States have always been the subject of "wise-cracks." There is the latest about Mr. Coolidge. It is attributed to Mr. Eddie Cantor, the American comedian, who has defined "Silent Cal." as "A Sphinx—wired for sound."

Crash Coincidences.

When a car driven by Mr. H. Jackson, of Dunmow, collided with a woman riding a pedal cycle on the Willingale, Essex, road, the latter was knocked off her machine and injured. Mr. Jackson helped her into a cottage, where he discovered that she was his former wife, his marriage to whom was dissolved three years ago.

The "One-Role" Woman.

In a lunch-hour lecture to young men at St. Stephen's, Walbrook, Dr. A. Herbert Gray declared: "It is very difficult to understand a woman; she is the queerest thing God ever made—except man. Many women think marriage cramps their lives because they are asked to play one role only—the role of domestic charmer—and that is not big enough for any woman."

Giving the Gondola a Chance.

Travel hint on the correct way to conduct a sentimental journey. During my holidays I was able to spend a day in Venice, the first sight of which was a disappointment to me. But, as an Italian guide said when we left, "Ah, signora, but you make mistakes! This time you come to Venice six in a gondola: next time you come two—and at night!"

Woman's Pyjamas.

The Vicar of St. John's, Weymouth, the Rev. F. E. Coryton, has appealed to Deuteronomy as proof that the wearing of pyjamas by the female sex is incontestably an abomination.

"The woman," he quoted, "shall not wear that which pertaineth unto the man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment." Logically, therefore, Mr. Gladstone committed an abomination whenever he donned his night-gown. And what about Chinamen and women. Does the whole race stand condemned in the eyes of Mr. Coryton?

102 British Turned Out of Canada.

Of 107 deportees who left Montreal in the Laurentic for Liverpool last month 102 were British. There was a family of seven, another of five and there were several families of four.

It was the largest number deported from Montreal in one ship for 18 years.

Australian Aboriginal Cricketers.

The Queensland aboriginal fast bowler, Eddie Gilbert, is luckier than some of his predecessors who were accused of throwing. The accusation was made against him, but it was found possible to prove, by means of slow motion pictures, that there is nothing objectionable in his action. If, therefore, the reports of his prowess are justified, cricket enthusiasts may perhaps look forward to seeing him in England in 1934. We could not, and should not, object to his inclusion on account of his race.

It is a long time since an Australian black fellow played cricket in England. But the first Australian team to tour England was composed of aboriginals, and when a later team, which included Spofforth, Blackham and Murdoch, went to Cambridge, they astonished their hosts by being white.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The final dress rehearsal of "Miss Hook of Holland" will take place this evening before an audience of the Services.

The annual meeting of members and adherents of the Union Church, Kowloon, is advertised to take place on Friday, December 10, at 9 p.m. in the Church Schoolroom, Jordan Road.

Five cases of diphtheria, and one of enteric fever were reported on Monday. During last week, there were ten cases (one death) of diphtheria, three cases (one death) of enteric fever and 51 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

On failure to provide his lorry, with a mirror through which to see traffic approaching from the rear, a driver was fined \$7 by Mr. Grantham yesterday. A further fine of \$3 was imposed because the rear number plate of the lorry was obscured by the tail-board.

Several motor-car drivers were summoned before Mr. Grantham yesterday for sounding their horns unnecessarily. It was stated that in each case the defendant had sounded his horns continuously without reason. The Magistrate cautioned the defendants, all of whom had good records.

While coal was being unloaded into a lighter from the s.s. Minnie Moller, lying off Wanchai, on Monday, a derrick rope broke, dropping a sling of coal and knocking four coolies off the ship into the lighter. One of the men died while on the way to hospital and another is in a serious condition in hospital.

A fine of \$15 was imposed by Mr. Grantham in a case in which a motor driver was summoned for causing an obstruction outside the Empress Hotel. The summons had been adjourned from the previous week because the defendant did not appear in person but had sent a representative. The same representative appeared again yesterday, and, in imposing the fine, his Worship observed that defendant would have to pay for the privilege of sending a representative.

The dollar opened at 1s. 5-13/16d. on demand yesterday but weakened slightly during the day and registered a drop of a farthing just before noon. The closing rate was 1s. 5-9/16d.

A water spout some thirty feet high was noticed sweeping along the East Lamma Channel between Pokfulam and Lamma Island on Monday afternoon at about 4.15 p.m. The phenomenon was first noticed by some coolies on the Peak. The water spout swept towards Lamma and disappeared behind a hill.

Two ricksha coolies, who were charged before Mr. Grantham yesterday for fighting on the Peak near the Peak Tram Station, were each fined \$3. Sergeant Bysting told the court that one of the coolies in his excitement struck the Sergeant, mistaking him for someone who was assisting his opponent. "I have not taken any action for that," observed Sergeant Bysting, "because it was a misjudgment on his part."

Captain Harvey, of the steamer *Cleveland*, shot himself yesterday, death being instantaneous. The sound of a shot in his cabin was heard, and on the chief mate going in, he found the captain lying dead, with a pistol wound in his head. The body was taken to the hospital where an inquest will be held. The vessel was in the Aberdeen dock at the time.

We learn that Mdle. Olga Duboin, the well-known Russian pianist, who is perseveringly making a complete tour of the Far East, has visited Cambodia and the ruins of Angkor. She is now in Saigon, where she gave a concert on the 23rd ult., which was largely attended and proved very successful. So much was her performance appreciated that she was solicited to give another, and though intending to leave by the last French mail steamers, she consented to do so. She will arrive here by the next French mail—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, Dec. 8, 1931.

From the Files.

Looking Back 25 Years.

After an eighteen months' holiday in the homeland, Hon. Mr. F. H. May, M.S., and family returned to the colony by the P. & O. s.s. *Arcturion* on Saturday. After the vessel was moored a number of Government officials and civilians went off to her to welcome Mr. and Mrs. May and accompanied them ashore in the Government launch. On landing Mr. May proceeded to Government House, where he will probably reside during the time he is administering the Government. The ceremony of swearing Mr. May in as Acting Governor will take place at the Legislative Council Chamber this morning.

The preliminary report of Mr. P. J. Wedhouse, Census Officer, is published in Saturday's *Gazette*. It shows that there is an increase in the non-Chinese population of over 300 persons in the City of Victoria, 165 in the hill district, 160 in the villages, and 1,350 in Kowloon, the latter figure being an increase of about 160 per cent. In the Chinese population there is a decrease of some 3,000 persons in the City of Victoria, and an increase of some 3,400 in the villages of Hong Kong, and of nearly 9,000 in Tsim Sha Shui, Yau Ma Tei and Hung Hom. The floating population shows an increase of some 5,600 persons, 4,500 within the harbour limits and 1,000 in the villages of Hong Kong. The total number of boats, etc., is 6,346, compared with 5,836 in 1901. —*Hong Kong Daily Press*, Dec. 9, 1906.

Looking Back 50 Years.

At a meeting of Scotchmen held on Wednesday evening steps were taken for the formation of a St. Andrew's Society.

The French ironclad frigate *Themis* was to leave the Aberdeen Dock and the *Mary Thelma* was to be docked there last night. (Continued on Previous Column.)



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"MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND."

A CHORUS OF YOUTH AND BEAUTY.

This evening the Philharmonic Society are holding their final rehearsal for the production of "Miss Hook of Holland." We say rehearsal, but perhaps this is hardly the correct term as the entire cast are to appear in costume and make-up exactly as at an actual performance, and the show is to go forward as during the run. From a point of view of audiology also it will resemble an ordinary performance, for an invitation extended to all ranks has been accepted by the naval and military authorities and a large number of soldiers and naval men are expected. "Miss Hook of Holland" was first produced some years before the war, and is one of the musical shows of that time that still appeal. It is a little difficult to define why "Miss Hook" holds its own but that it does is vouched for by a London producer who recently stated that only four or five of the productions that appealed to our fathers and grandfathers would be acceptable to a London audience to-day. Of these "Miss Hook of Holland" is the one that would prove the best box office draw. He gave as his reason that the songs of "Miss Hook" are tuneful and catchy, secondly the scenes are extremely effective, and lastly, "Miss Hook" lends itself to clever chorus work. It was upon this reasoning that the committee of the Philharmonic Society based their decision to produce "Miss Hook." The producer has been discerning, and has chosen a chorus of youth and beauty equal to any that has been seen on the amateur stage. The many beautiful costumes and lighting effects portray delightful scenes and in every way an artistic triumph is promised. It is safe to say, however, that the chorus work alone will make "Miss Hook" a splendid production. A matinee is to be given next Wednesday and it is hoped that parents will arrange for their children to see the production. "Miss Hook of Holland" is as delightful for the younger people as it is for grown-ups.

W.M.

FRENCH ART FOR LONDON

INSURED FOR TWO AND A HALF MILLION POUNDS

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 8. Four hundred art treasures destined for the International Exhibition of French Art which opens at the Royal Academy, London, on January 4 left the Louvre Museum, Paris, yesterday under a guard. The value of the treasures is incalculable but they are insured for no less than £2,500,000.

BELGIAN AND BRITISH FOREIGN MINISTERS MEET

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 8. The Belgian Foreign Minister, M. Paul Hymans, met the British Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, yesterday at the House of Commons and last night Sir John Simon was a guest at the Belgian Embassy dinner given in honour of distinguished statesmen.

Sir J. Simon will entertain M. Hymans at luncheon to-day and before he leaves for Brussels tomorrow M. Hymans will have conversation with the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman.

FINISH OF FINE FLIGHT

BERT HINKLER WELCOMED AT HANWORTH

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 7. Bert Hinkler, who on October 27 made a great solo flight of 1,850 miles across the South Atlantic on a British standard Puss Moth machine of only one hundred and twenty horse-power, this afternoon reached Hanoor Aerodrome at the end of a flight from New York by way of the West Indies, South America and West Africa.

He had a great reception from a large crowd, which included the Under-Secretary for Air Sir Philip Sassoon, who welcomed him officially on behalf of the Government, Sir Arthur Brown, who with Sir John Cockcroft was the first to fly the Atlantic, Flight-Lieut. Stainforth, the holder of the world speed record, Miss Peggy Salaman, who with Gordon Seavey recently beat the London-Cape record on a British machine of the same type as that used by Hinkler, Miss Winifred Spooner, and other leading British airmen and women.

The first to greet Hinkler was his wife.

He received a telegram of congratulation from the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who said the flight would rank as one of the most remarkable achievements in the history of aviation and as a magnificent demonstration of the sterling qualities of British aircraft engines.

ROYAL FAMILY'S CHRISTMAS

TO BE SPENT AT SANDRINGHAM

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 7. The King and Queen returned to Buckingham Palace to-day, and the Court will remain in London for a fortnight. The Queen has recovered from her recent chill. The Royal Family will spend Christmas at Sandringham.

DUTCH AIR MAIL

AIR COUNCIL SENDS SYMPATHY

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 7. The Air Minister, Lord Londonderry, on behalf of the Air Council, has sent a message of sympathy to the Netherlands authorities on the regrettable loss of life in an unfortunate accident to the homeward bound Dutch air mail at Bangkok.

AUSTRALIA'S XMAS MAILS

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 7. Commander Kingsford Smith, carrying the Christmas mails from Australia to England, reached Calcutta to-day.

He expects to arrive in London on December 13.

WATER SPEED SUPREMACY

LORD WAKEFIELD TO BUILD NEW BOAT

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 8. Lord Wakefield, the sponsor of previous efforts to maintain Great Britain's speed supremacy on water, has decided to reconduct his successful speed-boat Miss England II and invite tenders for Miss England III to be built within four months. Kaye Don will pilot the new boat.

Lord Wakefield has been assured that the new boat could be constructed to travel at least twenty-five miles an hour faster than the present record of 110 miles. The power units will be Rolls Royce engines similar to those used in the winning Schneider Trophy seaplane.

The new boat will be taken in April to Lake Garda, northern Italy, for trials.

INTER-VARSITY RUGBY

OXFORD WINS 56TH MATCH

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 8. At Twickenham, Oxford won the 56th inter-Varsity Rugby match by beating Cambridge 10 points to 3.

N. S. WALES SCORE 500

S. AFRICA 185 FOR ONE WICKET

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SYDNEY, Dec. 8. In their match against the S. Africans, N. S. Wales made a total of 500. Bradman 219, Hird 101, McMillan taking six wickets for 138 runs.

At the close of play the S. Africans had scored 185 for one wicket. Currow 81 not out, and Morkel 70 not out.

DONCASTER AN BARROW DRAW FOR THIRD TIME

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 7. In their second replay in the first round of the Association Cup, Doncaster again drew with Barrow after extra time. The match was played on Manchester City's ground and produced two goals.

37 SPIES EXECUTED IN A MONTH

POLAND'S STERN MEASURES TO PREVENT LEAKAGE

Warsaw, Dec. 8.—That the spy craze is becoming epidemic in Poland, was shown by the announcement, published to-day that during the month of November 37 persons were found guilty of espionage and were sentenced to death by court-martial, the sentences being executed in every case, as President Moscicki invariably refused to commute them.

Of the 27 alleged spies, 36 were convicted of espionage on behalf of Soviet Russia. One, a German born non-commissioned officer, named Klemke, was executed at Posen on a charge of having revealed military secrets to Germany.

SPEED RECORD NOT ALLOWED

AMERICAN Flier's ATTEMPT IN LAND PLANE

Detroit, Dec. 2.—The International Aero Federation to-day declared as void Mr. Lowell Bayley's attempt to beat the world speed record for land planes.

Yesterday Mr. Bayley averaged 294.73 miles an hour over a three-kilometre course, and it was announced that he had broken the record, previously held by France with a speed of 278.48 miles an hour.

The official re-check of his figures, however, to-day gave his speed as only 281.90 miles an hour. According to the rules laid down by the International Aero Federation, the old record must be exceeded by five miles an hour before a new record can be claimed.

BURMA ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

UPPER CHAMBER TO CHECK RASH LEGISLATION

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

Rugby, Dec. 7. During the discussion to-day in the committee of the Burma Round Table Conference, the Serbwa of Hsipaw, on behalf of the rulers of the Shan States, advocated their maintenance as a separate entity, and, after discussion, it was decided to postpone decision and to proceed for the present on the assumption that the Shan States did not want representatives in the new Legislature.

The Committee considered the question of a Second Chamber in favour of which opinion was unanimous.

The majority was against equal power with the Lower Chamber in financial matters, but agreed that the Upper Chamber should be able to check rash legislation.

To-morrow, the Committee will consider the method of election to the Second Chamber and the qualification of voters and candidates.

General Improvement.

In the House of Commons at question time, Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for India, stated that the general improvement in the situation in Burma continued.

WAR ON CHRISTMAS LIQUOR

U.S. COASTGUARDS SINK RUM RUNNER AFTER CHASE

Woods Hole, Mass., Dec. 2.—American prohibition enforcement agents, lacking the Christmas spirit entirely, to-day began their annual drive against the landing of Christmas spirits in the prohibited states of America.

A cutter of the United States Coast Guards Service, operating off the Puritan coast, chased and opened fire upon the motorship Star, a ship accused of being a rum runner. The Star, struck by shells from the Coast Guard cutter, exploded and foundered.

Seven members of the crew of the alleged and sunk rum runner, were rescued. Two others were painfully burned.

The cargo of Christmas liquor which the Coast Guard Service charges, the Star was attempting to land went to the bottom of the deep blue sea.

PRINCE WEDS IN SECRET.

RUMANIAN ROYAL FAMILY TANGLE.

KING CAROL FILLED WITH WRATH.

Vienna, Dec. 3.—The matrimonial experiment into which Prince Nicholas of Rumania has ventured is likely to lead to very serious quarrels in the Rumanian royal family, according to reports reaching here from Bucharest to-day.

The Rumanian papers do not make the slightest reference to the subject, but nevertheless it continues to be a popular topic of conversation, and it is now stated that King Carol has declared his intention of taking drastic measures unless his brother agrees immediately to divorce the lady whom he has made his wife.

Some time ago the attachment which Prince Nicholas formed for Mme. Saveanu, the divorced wife of a Bucharest lawyer, led to his being given "extended leave" from his military duties as Inspector-General of the Army.

It was not known then, however, that marriage was contemplated. Subsequently it was reported that Prince Nicholas, profiting by the time for reflection and contemplation which absence from official duties had given him, had quietly married Mme. Saveanu in a little village church. The marriage, it is said, took place early last month.

King Carol refuses to recognise this morganatic union and has ordered the destruction of the marriage record.

Now instructions have been sent to Prince Nicholas to start divorce proceedings. As a refusal is confidently expected, speculation is rife regarding the King's next step.

IDEA OF NEUTRAL ZONE DROPPED

PREVENTION OF HOSTILITIES NOW LIES WITH COMMANDERS

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Dec. 8. Negotiations are approaching a close and a public lifting is expected to take place to-morrow.

M. Briand's letter to Mr. Yoshizawa is not publishable being a reply to a confidential document.

It is understood that M. Briand's letter expresses hope that the Japanese will not advance beyond their present lines and that both sides will refrain from provocative incidents, thus the question of a neutral zone has been dropped, local commanders having the responsibility of preventing hostilities.

Dr. Sze met the drafting committee this morning, while Mr. Ito is seeing the committee at 4 p.m.

SOME HOPE OF SETTLEMENT

PARIS, Dec. 7.

Mr. Yoshizawa called upon M. Briand this afternoon and remained with him for over half an hour. It is believed that the conversations dealt almost entirely with the situation west of Mukden and that Mr. Yoshizawa presented a formal proposal regarding the suggested neutral zone at Chinchow.

It is hoped that the Japanese proposal will assist in a settlement. It is learned that Mr. Yoshizawa explained to M. Briand that Japan had fulfilled her share of the Chinese proposal by withdrawing her troops from the Chinchow region, whereas the Chinese forces were still there.

He urged that pressure be brought upon the Chinese to avoid a clash and advocated direct negotiations between the Chinese and Japanese authorities on the spot for the demarcation of the neutral zone.

The Council met at 5.15 p.m. and discussed it is understood, the Chinchow question. The Chinese and Japanese representatives were not present at the meeting.

WEATHER REPORT

The weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong, at 6.25 p.m. yesterday state:

The typhoon has filled up to the east of Cape St. James. The anti-cyclone is central to the east of Vladivostok.

Local forecast—N.E. winds, moderate, drizzle and mist.

QUIET GUY FAWKES NIGHT.

RESTRICTED EXUBERANCE AT HOME.

Guy Fawkes Day at Home was celebrated very quietly this year. Firework displays were restricted, and although bonfires were numerous they were not elaborate.

There was an absence of exuberance, although on Parliament Hill, Hampstead Heath—where it is recorded Guy Fawkes' fellow-conspirators waited to see the Houses of Parliament, blown up—there was a pitched battle between thousands of revellers, who used fireworks as weapons.

Daniel Monk, aged about 50, an assistant lodging-house deputy, while sitting in an outhouse of a lodging-house at Roperay Road, Woolwich, was seriously injured from splinters believed to be part of a home-made firework, which had been thrown into the yard.

Despite the special warning of the Vice-Chancellor and proctors that any breach of public order by undergraduates would be regarded as a serious offense, 100 Oxford undergraduates paraded the streets at night. There was perhaps not such rowdiness as in previous years, but innumerable fireworks were let off, and about 40 undergraduates held up the traffic while they danced a solemn "ring a ring o' roses" round the policeman on point duty. Others in upper windows squirted sybonds of soda water on the crowds below.

About 35,000 people assembled in and about Waverley Playground, Liverpool, to see a huge bonfire and fireworks display arranged by the British Legion with the co-operation of the civil authorities. The celebrations at Cambridge were uneventful, although two undergraduates and two other men were arrested.

BANDITS HOLD UP TRAIN

CHINESE AND FOREIGN PASSENGERS ROBBED

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TIENTSIN, Dec. 8. A passenger train from Mukden to Tientsin was held up by bandits between Hsinmin and Linhogow. The bandits who fired several shots grazing the head of the engine driver subsequently robbed the Chinese and foreign passengers. It is understood no passengers were taken away for ransom and the only injury suffered by a first class passenger is believed to be a Chinese who was roughly handled.

Mr. W. H. Steele, superintendent of transportation on the P.M.R., who was on his way to Tientsin after three months' work at Mukden was relieved of money and his winter coat.

The hold-up occurred on a section of the line which is not guarded by either Chinese soldiers for railway guards. While a Japanese armoured train is patrolling it twice daily the Japanese, however, disclaim any responsibility for its safety.

TWO FRENCH SAILORS ASPHYXIATED.

OVERCOME BY CARBON MONOXIDE IN COAL ROOM FIRE.

Hankow, Dec. 2.—Two quarter-masters of the French warship Babin, at present stationed at Hankow, were asphyxiated by carbon monoxide on board their ship on Thursday, November 28.

A fire started, unobserved by anyone, in the coal store-room and the gas produced by combustion slowly filtered through the partition into their cabin.

The two men were found in an unconscious condition and for two hours every effort was made to revive them but these proved unavailing.

The men were buried next day with full naval honours.

NEW TREATMENT FOR BLOOD PRESSURE.

EMPLOYMENT OF RADIUM.

High blood pressure is becoming increasingly common as a disorder of middle-age and a new suggestion for its treatment is contained in the current issue of *The Lancet*, where Dr. Nathan Mutch, of Guy's Hospital, records his experience with the use of radium.

The dose employed is almost infinitesimal; usually Dr. Mutch has given 1 or 2 microgrammes, injected every day or every other day until the necessary effect has been obtained. (A microgramme is a millionth part of a gramme, and there are about thirty grammes to the ounce.)

The fall in blood pressure obtained continues for many days; in certain cases the full advantage persists indefinitely, while in others it was possible to keep the patients at the lower figure by giving an exceedingly small amount of radium every week. The fall in blood-pressure did not cause any feeling of discomfort; on the contrary the patients experienced a sense of greater well-being and showed an all-round improvement in general condition.

The action of radium in this condition is not altogether clear. Dr. Mutch was careful to exclude any psychological element as a source of confusion in interpreting his results, and he emphasises that general treatment, such as the elimination of any source of poison in the body, must be used in addition to the radium.

In addition to injection of the drug, Dr. Mutch has also treated some cases by doses of water containing the emanation given off by radium, but this substance does not maintain its strength for long and the results are not so trustworthy.

MALARIA CURE IN SIGHT?

BRITISH EXPERT ON THRES-

HOLD OF IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

London, Dec. 4.—According to Sir Almoth Wright, the well-known bacteriologist, the Ministry of Health expert, Colonel Jones, is "on the threshold of an important discovery which may mean a great step forward in the prevention of malaria."

It is understood that Colonel Jones and his colleagues at the Health Ministry's malaria laboratory in Surrey have been experimenting with a new drug.

Ten of them allowed themselves to be bitten by malaria-carrying mosquitoes and were then treated with the new drug. In no case did malaria develop.

Apparently the drug prevents the infection of healthy people, and experiments are being made to estimate the minimum daily amount which will act as a safeguard in malarial areas.

LONDONERS FEEL AT HOME

DENSE FOG ENVELOPES SHANGHAI

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 8. Shanghai, this morning, was draped with a fog which is unusual for this time of the year, but Londoners awoke with a comfortable "back at home" feeling as it was as a real sample of London winter weather.

Hundreds of ships, from ocean liners to junks, being tied up discharging shipping schedules, while there were numerous collisions between river craft. Sirens and foghorns created a din on the waterfront, and ashore motorists progressed gingerly.

CANTON DELEGATES LEAVE FOR SHANGHAI

TO ATTEND PEACE PARLEY

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

OVERCOME BY CARBON MONOXIDE IN COAL ROOM FIRE.

CANTON, Dec. 8. Messrs. Eugene Chen, Sun Fo and Dr. C. C. Wu left Canton for the North via Hongkong this morning by a special train on their mission of trying to make preliminary arrangements with the Nanking authorities for the formation of a unification government.

They are expected to leave by the President Coolidge, which is scheduled to sail this afternoon.

PROMOTION FOR C. C. WU.

TO BE CHAIRMAN OF KWANGTUNG GOVERNMENT.

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

CANTON, Dec. 8. An important resolution was passed by the Canton National Government Council yesterday that Dr. C. C. Wu be appointed to succeed Mr. Lin Yun Kai as Chairman of the Provincial Government of Kwangtung.

A Resignation.

Mr. Hsu Sung Ching's resignation from the Chairmanship of the Chung Shan University has been accepted and Mr. Lin Yun Kai appointed to fill the position.

THIEVES' ALL-NIGHT VIGIL.

WOMAN FORCED TO OPEN SAFE CONTAINING JEWELS.

New York, Nov. 8.—Two daring thieves entered the home of Mrs. Winthrop Schmitt on the outskirts of West Orange, New Jersey, in the hope of finding her alone downstairs so as to force her to open her jewel safe. They found that she was at the theatre and that only the cook was in the house.

They decided to attempt the robbery the next morning and stayed for hours in the dimly-lighted cellar, smoking cigarettes and talking about football, while the cook, gagged and bound to a water pipe, glared at them.

When a gardener arrived in the morning to tend the furnace he was quickly overpowered and tied beside the cook, and the gardener's wife, who served as housekeeper, was captured in the kitchen and taken to join the others in the cellar.

When Mrs. Schmitt descended for breakfast she was confronted by pistols in the hands of the masked pair, who ordered her to open the safe, which contained bonds and jewellery.

At her plea the thieves left cherished family heirlooms, but took 15,000 dollars (\$23,000 at par) in jewellery and securities, and 150 dollars in cash.

Before leaving they cut the telephone and ransacked the house, finding two pistols, of which one of the men remarked, "these are the prize of the lot," and tying Mrs. Schmitt with the servants, they walked away.

The gardener finally freed himself and called the police from the police station only a block away from Mrs. Schmitt's home.

Detectives are of opinion that a butler, recently dismissed for entering undesirable persons in Mrs. Schmitt's absence, was an accomplice of the criminals.

THE QUESTION OF EXTRALITY

SIR JOHN SIMON AWARE OF ITS IMPORTANCE

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 7. In the House of Commons Sir John Simon announced that no agreement concerning Extrality had been initiated by Sir Miles Lampson, though a draft treaty had been completed which both Governments were considering. If the draft treaty is signed, Sir John said, Parliament would be given an opportunity of discussion before ratification.

Mr. Wardlaw Milne asked if the British Government, in any way, had committed itself. He referred to dissatisfaction among British interests in China owing to the way in which these matters had been left.

Sir John Simon replied that he was fully aware of the great importance of this matter.

ROMANTIC LIFE OF A BIBBY LINER.

THE SEANG BEE.

DESTINED FOR THE SCRAP-HEAP.

Although the Japanese interests which purchased the Rangoon steamer Seang Bee had her officially re-registered under the name of Seang Bee Maru, it is reported that she is destined for the scrap-heap, and that the famous old ship has made her last passage.

Rumour she is, for when Messrs. Harland and Wolff built her in 1891 she was the Bibby liner Shropshire, and with her sister, Cheshire, was regarded as the last word on the Rangoon service. The Bibby Company gained great renown with these two ships, for they were the first twin-screw passenger steamers on the Eastern run, and as their advent coincided with an epidemic of broken shafts, the enterprise of the company obtained good advertisement. Like all the Bibby ships of that day, and most of those that have followed, they were four-masted schooners, with a single tall funnel, the gross tonnage of the Shropshire being 5,000, and her triple-expansion engines giving her a steady 14 knots per hour almost any circumstances. She was specially designed for the service from London and Liverpool to Rangoon, by way of Marseilles, and in addition to her big passenger accommodation she had a very fair cargo stowage.

War-Time Transport.

Under the Bibby flag her career was most satisfactorily uneventful, and she proved herself a great favourite with Eastern travellers, and a remarkably consistent performer, until the steady improvement that they were making in the standard of their fleet caused the company to sell her after 18 years' service. A Rangoon owner brought her for the Far Eastern service in October, 1909, and renamed her Seang Bee at the same time that he bought the Cheshire and renamed her Seang Choon. She carried a large number of pilgrims in addition to her ordinary Eastern passengers, and was just as successful as she had been under Bibby management, when war broke out she was taken up in October, 1914, as a transport for the Indian Expeditionary Force.

Pirated Near Blas Bay.

While on transport duties the old Cheshire was torpedoed and sunk off the Fastnet, but the Shropshire carried on, and was employed carrying Australian and British troops as well as Indian. It was after she had returned to commercial service that she was sold to the Chinese and Southern Trading Co., of Rangoon, who kept her for two years, and then sold her in 1922 to other Rangoon interests.

After this second transfer, while on a voyage from Singapore to Hong Kong in January, 1927, she was seized by Chinese pirates, nearly 100 of whom had taken tickets as passengers, and her people were compelled, at the muzzle of the revolver, to navigate her to Blas Bay. There she was thoroughly looted, the pirates going through the 700 odd passengers and securing over £20,000 in money and jewellery, in addition to what they got from the ship, their total loot running into five figures. Five wealthy Chinese passengers were taken inland for ransom, but Captain Cotton, after being taken ashore as a hostage, was allowed to return to the ship.

Laid Up at Rangoon.

The outrage occurred at a time when commercial interests were furious at the indifference of the Chinese authorities to piracy, and she was by far the biggest ship that had ever been attacked. Soon afterwards she was again transferred to other Chinese interests in Rangoon, remaining under the British flag all the time, and ran on the Eastern service until the summer of last year. She was then laid up at Rangoon in the hope of better times, and only recently sold to the Japanese.

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Copenhagen	184
Oslo	184
Prague	110
Vienna	59
Helsingfors	102
Madrid	107 1/2
Lisbon	250
Athens	545
Bucharest	41
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Buenos Aires	31 1/2
Montevideo	31 1/2
Shanghai	1/10 97/32
Hong Kong	1/5 13/32
Bombay	1/6 3/32
Yokohama	3/4
Silver	20 1/2
Spot	20 1/2
Forward	20 7/10

Sports News

H.K.F.A. COUNCIL.

REPLY TO CHINESE CLUBS
CONSIDERED.

Mr. J. Ormiston presided at the monthly Council meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association held yesterday. There were present Mr. P.P.F. Wodehouse, Comdr. Morris, Capt. Hayward, Messrs. G. T. May, R. K. Duncan, J. W. Baldwin, T. G. Stokes, A. Goldenberg, H. K. Lee, Wong Ka Tsun, and W. E. Hollands (Hon. Secretary.)

Apologies for non-attendance owing to other engagements were received from the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. F. O. Clemons and Mr. H. M. Tavish.

Extending a hearty welcome to Captain Hayward, who succeeded Capt. Deakin as army representative on the Council, the Chairman said he hoped Capt. Hayward would find his duties pleasant.

After dealing with routine matters, the Chairman referred to the letter drafted by the sub-committee in reply to the recent communication (already published in our columns) from the five Chinese clubs in regard to their withdrawal. He said that the draft letter had been in the hands of Council members for two or three days and he invited the views of the members.

The meeting proceeded to discuss the draft letter and various amendments were made before it was passed.

A WARNING OFF
SEQUEL.RUINED THROUGH ACTS OF
SERVANTS.HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR
DOPING.

London, Dec. 7.—The action of the Jockey Club in giving publication to a decision warning a race-horse trainer off the course is the subject of a libel suit which is being heard in the High Court today. The plaintiff, Mr. Charles Chapman, complains that he has been ruined, and is claiming damages from the Earl of Ellesmere, the Earl of Harewood, and the Earl of Rosebery (in their capacity as Stewards of the Jockey Club), the London "Times" and Messrs. Weatherby and Sons, publishers of the official "Racing Calendar."

The Stewards warned Chapman off Newmarket Heath (which is equivalent to warning him off all courses under their control), and disqualified a winner trained by him, having come to the conclusion that the animal had been "doped."

UNITED SERVICES
GOLF.TWO-DAY MEETING AT
FANLING.

Thursday's starting list for the United Services golf meeting at Fanling on Thursday and Friday has been issued for publication as follows:

8.35 Weeks and Docksey.
8.35 Callance and McBean.
8.38 Syer and Morgan.
8.40 Col. Lecky and Lothian.
8.44 Graham and Church.
8.48 Hyde and Black.
8.52 Grant and Molt.
8.56 Col. Bennet and Wallace.
9.24 Brown and Robertson.
9.28 Col. Skinner and Fowkes.
9.32 Musson and Waring.
9.36 Cox and Hamilton.
9.40 Crockett and Boal.
9.44 Darling and Hughes.
9.48 Merriman and Watson.
9.52 Wales and Blackden.
9.56 Aylmer and Drayson.
10.00 Bowen and Stephenson.
10.04 McRorie and Linton.
10.08 Jones and Maurice.
10.12 Taylor and Grove.
10.16 Barry and Higham.
10.20 Majendie and King.
10.24 Dawkes and O'Reilly.
10.28 Col. Cousins and Benfield.
10.32 Lt. Cmdr. Goul and Hazel.
10.36 Gould and Oliver.
10.40 Hawkes and Marfell.
10.44 Admiral Kelly and Burnett.
10.48 Tetley and Hardy.
10.52 Tegan and Lumsden.
10.56 Col. Myles and Anderson.
11.00 Skinner and Wright.

Competitors in camp are requested to start their matches before 9 a.m. Times for competitors proceeding by road have been arranged so as not to interfere with those going by train. Times for Friday can be booked under competitors' own arrangements at the Clubhouse on Thursday.

The 8.25 a.m. train from Kowloon will run both days.

him, having come to the conclusion that the animal had been "doped." The defendants pleaded that the publication of the Stewards' decision was privileged, being a matter of general public interest. It was stated that no suggestion had been made that Chapman was a party to the "doping," but that, as he had trained the horse, he was absolutely responsible for any acts committed by his servants.

Lord Roschery, giving evidence, agreed that, if the notice sent to the Press led ordinary people to think that the plaintiff had been warned off "doping," a very cruel injustice had been done.

RUGBY.

C.B.A. TEAM AGAINST H.K.

BANK.

The following fifteen has been selected to represent the Central British Association in a rugby match against the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at Kiang's Park to-day K.O. at 5 p.m. sharp:—Skinner, Whitley, Burnett, Kilby, Ferguson, Black, Crozier, Tittle, Wilson, Cogan, McNider, Riddell, Bonham, Walters, Hardy. Reserve: Davies.

THREE CHAMPION EVENTS

ADOLPHE MENJOU

(THE PRINCE OF LOVERS IN 'THE GREAT LOVE')

'BIG' BILL TILDEN

(THE KING OF TENNIS)

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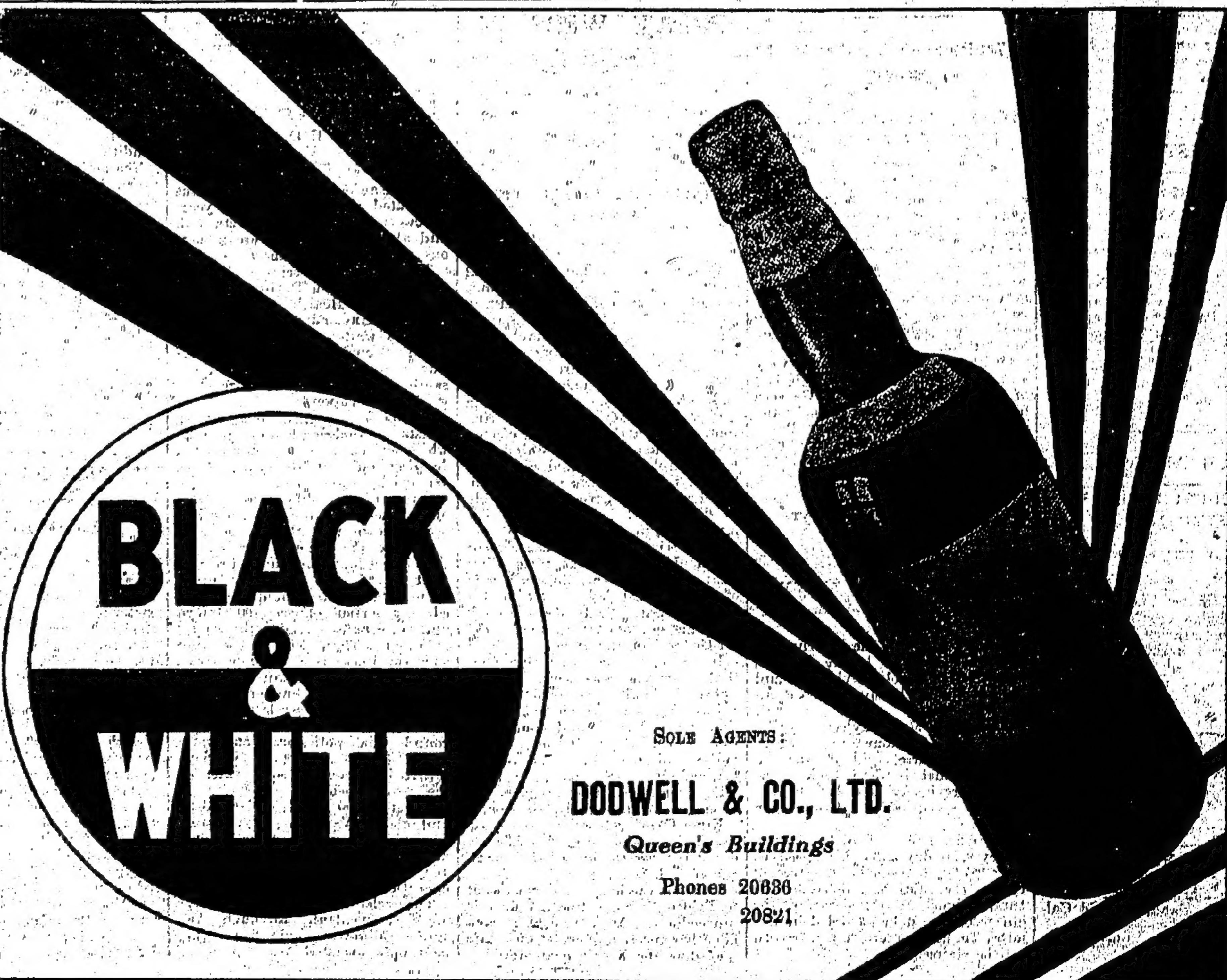
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ADVERTISEMENTS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 14th DAY of DECEMBER, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Hennessy Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.					
No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.
1	Inland Lot No. 3892.	Between Inland Lots Nos. 3892 and 3894, Hennessy Road.	As per sale plan.	About 4,507.	48/00

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.					
No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2195.	Junction of Tong Mi Road and Mong Kok Road.	As per sale plan.	About 24,909.	87/40

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.					
No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.
3	Inland Lot No. 2491.	Near Inland Lot No. 3102, King Kwong Street.	As per sale plan.	About 2,393.	13/60

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BOOKS and READERS

A CHINESE BOOK OF LIFE.

THE SECRET OF THE GOLDEN FLOWER.

Translated by Richard Wilhelm, with a European commentary by C. G. Jung. (Kegan Paul, Trench, Trubner & Co., Ltd., 12/9.)

A translation of "a translation from the Chinese reminds one rather of the classic insult: 'illegitimate son of an illegitimate child of a corporal, in the Mexican army.' But that is all this edition of the 'Tai I Chin Hua Tsung Chih' amounts to. The late Dr. Wilhelm wrote a sufficient number of books on Chinese subjects to be considered a sinologue, but he is probably best known for his delightful discovery, in the early part of his book 'Die Seele Chinas,' that the Chinese was also a human being. And, despite Dr. Jung's charming 'homage,' it is this 'poet of Dr. Wilhelm that predominates in the book under review. Not being one of 'that small group of people who, in the opinion of the editor, understood the questions discussed,' I have not had the opportunity of comparing the text with the translation. But intelligent prose of this work suggests a painfully literal translation, with staccato sentences, clumsy compounds, parentheses and a plethora of 'its,' 'thats' and 'ones.'

Poorly Produced.

The book is also poorly produced and badly arranged. It is printed on horrible shining paper, with nothing at the top of the page to help the reader find his way about, a table of contents but no index and merely a reference to some notes in the middle of the book to confirm a belief, induced by the style thereof, that the passages in smaller print are a Chinese commentary on the original work. Another comment that suggests itself is: For whom is the book intended? If for the specialist, the Chinese characters should be given whenever a term is mentioned and, ungrateful wretch that I am, Dr. Jung's commentary seems hardly necessary. If for the man-in-the-street, Dr. Jung's commentary should be placed first and it should be explained that neither has the 'Tai I Chin Hua Tsung Chih' had more than a slight effect on the mass of Chinese thought, nor does that school of Chinese thought represented in this work adequately represent the 'wisdom of the East' as Dr. Jung seems to imply.

Excellent Reading.

But the book is intensely interesting and excites one to read and re-read it. It is full of healthy wisdom, the passage on laziness (p. 47) for instance, or that about the right means in the hands of the wrong men, kept doubly sane by Dr. Jung's admirable commentary with its passages such as: "It is therefore lamentable, indeed when the European is false to himself and imitates the East or 'affects' it in any way." He would have much greater possibilities if he would remain true to himself and develop out of his own nature all that the East has brought forth from its inner being in the course of centuries" and "It is not a matter of unconcern whether one calls something a 'mania' or a 'god.' To serve a mania is detestable and undignified, but to serve a god is full of meaning and rich in possibilities. There is, too, much deep and delightful symbolism in the book, and some beautiful passages. Many a reader will half-envy the unfortunate who goes among the fox-spirits, where he might also occupy himself in the famous mountains, enjoying the wind and the moon, the flowers and fruits, and taking his pleasure in curn trees and jewelled grass." And the intriguing "mandalas" provide pictorial evidence supporting the book when it says that, even in the realm of psychology, "Chung Wai T Li" (Chinese and foreigners are much the same).

And, as a final, and perhaps rather frivolous, comment, why all this confusion of "hun" and "p'o," "anima" and "anima" when Xavier de Maistre has resolved the problem so admirably and gracefully in the sixth chapter of his "Voyage autour de ma Chambre" with his system "de l'ame et de la bete"?

M.C.G.

FAMOUS CASES.

MURDERS WHICH WOULD HAVE PLEASED DE QUINCEY.

ECHOES OF CAUSES CELEBRES. By Arthur Lambton, Hurst and Blackett, 12s. 6d. net.

WHAT IS YOUR VERDICT? William Roughend, Faber and Faber, 8s. 6d. net.

GREAT MURDER MYSTERIES. By Guy B. H. Logan, Stanley Paul, 18s. net.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A CRIMINAL. By Henry Tufts. Edited, with an Introduction, by Edmund Pearson. Jarrolds, 18s. net.

Murder is always with us, observes Conrad in 'The Secret Agent.' "It is almost an institution." It occurs in all classes of the community, but, as Mr. Arthur Lambton shows, it is now very rare among the aristocratic members of the community. Indeed, many a long year has passed by since a murderer was able to claim, by virtue of his blue blood, the pleasing privilege of being hanged with a silken rope. Indeed, Mr. Lambton has to go back to 1780 to find an instance of a Peer, Lord Ferrers, to wit, who was hanged for murder. His Lordship, handsomely attired, was driven to Tyburn in his own landau, which was followed by many other carriages and a strong contingent of "horse grenadiers." He declared himself much upset by the King's decision that he must suffer at Tyburn, and not, in the Tower, where his ancestor, Lord Essex—Queen Elizabeth's favourite—had been beheaded.

Unsolved Problems.

His accounts of such unsolved mysteries as the murder of Hannah Dobbs (queens assembled at Madame Tussaud's to see the effigy of the person acquitted in this case, which was set up just outside the Chamber of Horrors), the Peasenhall tragedy, and the killing of Thomas Weldon Anderson are particularly well worked out. It was the chisel of Orrock, which had the letters "rock" scratched on it, which inspired the late Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's "Study in Scarlet." In that thrilling tale "Rache" was written in blood on a wall, and Lestrade (or was it Gregson?) famously informed Sherlock Holmes that it was the first five letters of a woman's name. The team-play of our C.I.D. experts and their capacity for taking infinite pains (which is Buffon's definition of genius) are duly praised in Mr. Lambton's fascinating studies.

Mr. William Roughend has been described as "the prince of criminologists," and his seven volumes of "reconstructions" of famous crimes prove him a sound historian and an acute psychologist. "What is your Verdict?" which is a selection from his many studies, is an intriguing gallery of original cri-

minals, most of whom are infamous to the general reader. "The Mystery of Ireland's Eye" resembles the Maybrick case in that the penalty of death was most illogically reduced to penal servitude for life, and it has other interesting aspects. But the most fascinating section deals with the amazing Duncuch affair, the theft from the mortuary chapel in Aberdeenshire of the body of the Earl of Crawford. It should appeal to all members, whether readers or writers, of the "Clan Macabre."

American Masterpieces.

Mr. Guy Logan's chronicle is surprisingly up to date, it actually includes the story of the murder of Mrs. Julian Wallace in January of this year. No doubt it must rank as a "classic" in the chronicles of crime: not only because it was the first case in which the Court of Appeal felt it necessary to set aside a conviction, but also because it was the only instance of a chess-player being condemned to death. Mr. Logan presents several American murderers whose work has a bigness worthy of the Big Republic where mass-production killing is a civic commonplace.

No criminal ought ever to write his own life. That is the lesson one learns from the autobiography of Henry Tufts, the first in a long series of made-in-America examples of such books of confession. He

was a poor fool, who was sentenced to death for stealing goods to the value of some fifty shillings towards the close of the Eighteenth Century. He was reprieved, and the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment, but he only served four years of his sentence. A more majestic in comparison with the gangsters of to-day, but Mr. Roughend or Mr. Logan could have made something of him, seeing that his experiences included cannibalism.

BRITONS AS SEEN BY A GERMAN.

OUR GREY FLANNEL "BAGS."

London is the most moral capital in the whole world.

The Englishman, in any and every circumstance of life, spends a sovereign with as little or as much care as the German spends five marks (3s.).

There is more money in England than in Germany, and the standard of living is a trifle higher, but if we Germans had the Englishman's money we should live twice as well as he does.

These are some of the opinions expressed by Dr. Karl Siler, a well-known German journalist who has lived in London for six years.

in an interesting book called "John Bull at Home" (Harper, 8s. 6d.). Discussing what he calls "provincialism in the metropolis," this observer says that the regulation of traffic in London is based on methods dating from the time of the Hanseatic trade, and that congestion is partly due to our domestic habits. "English household economy, for instance, is not concerned with storing provisions. No one dreams of buying potatoes in large quantities, and coal is hardly ever stored for more than a fortnight. The preparation for a simple lunch sets five delivery vans in motion, all of which deliver the goods for the day in minute quantities."

When We are Happy.

On the subject of men's clothes the author has words of deep wisdom. He has perceived a phenomenon of contemporary English life which has gone uncelebrated for too long—our grey flannel "bags."

We may look at our best, he says, in full evening dress and other ceremonial creations of English fashions for men, but we only feel really happy and comfortable in grey flannel trousers! Hear him on the "national garb of the Englishman!"

They are worn by millions, from the Prime Minister to the working man, generally in summer, but also in winter. They hang round a man's legs like sacks, and may even be a little grubby. The older they

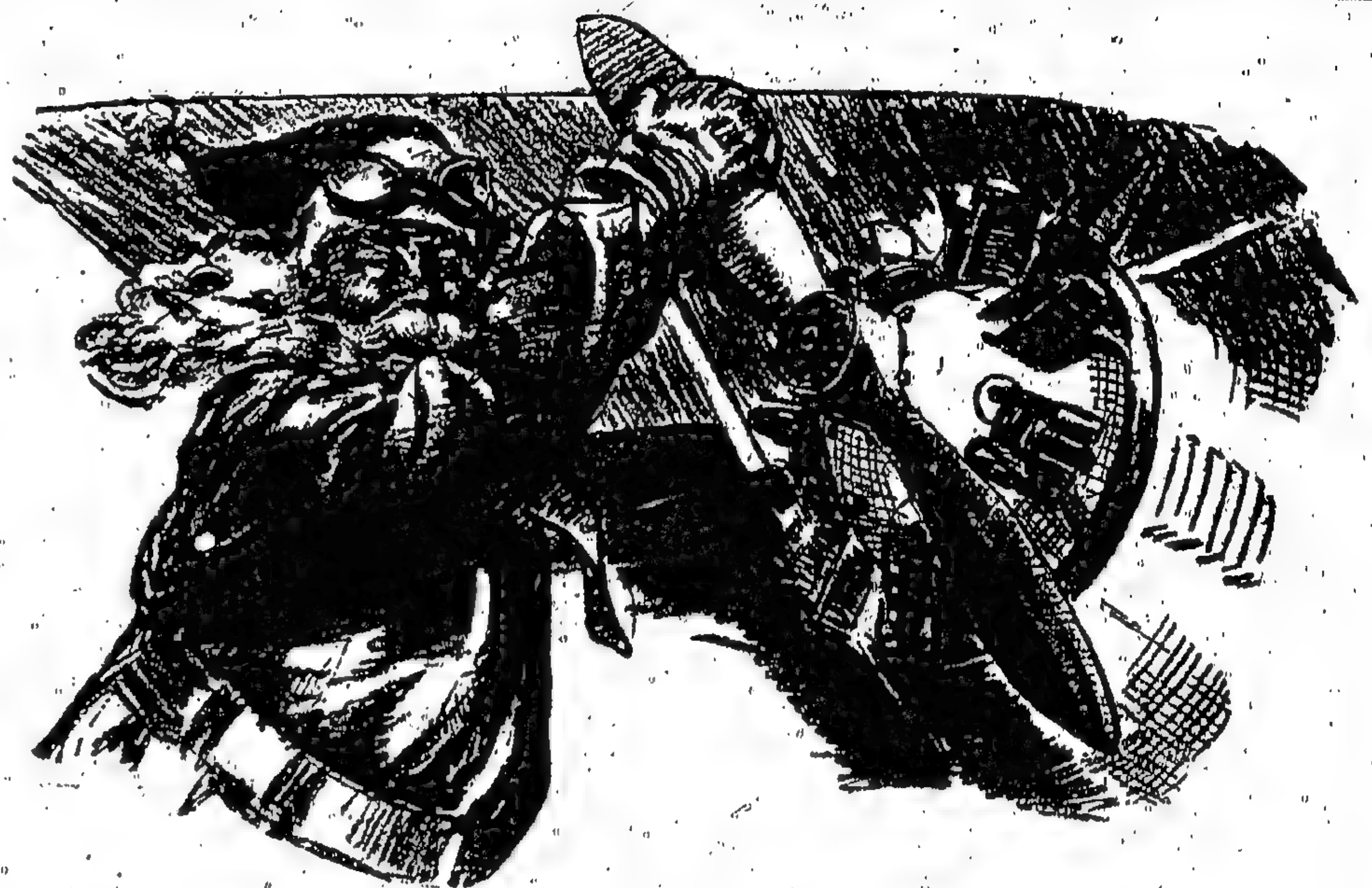
are the better. They are the national garb. About our "jost" spirit of adventure, this appreciative critic is very sad and very ingenious. A variety of reasons have been advanced lately, but who would have suspected that the hire-purchase system is the true menace to our country's powers of expansion? "As a result of the instalment system of payment, by means of which he can acquire a little car and his furniture, the young man is obliged to remain chained to one spot. Thus one of the main props of the British Empire, the spirit of adventure, is undermined."

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CASE No. 1 -- \$48.00

- 1 Bot. Clos Royal (Sparkling).
- 1 " Roubert Guillet *** Brandy.
- 1 " Medoc Claret.
- 1 " French Vermouth.
- 1 " Italian Vermouth.
- 1 " Old Tom Gin.
- 1 " Watson's "E" Whisky.
- 1 " Curacao M.B.R.
- 2 Bots. Invalid Sherry.
- 2 " Alto Douro Port.

CASE No. 2 -- \$55.00

- 1 Bot. Gustave Ferrand Grand Gordon Imperial Champagne.
- 1 " St. Julien Claret.
- 1 " Sandeman's Solera Sherry.
- 1 " Renault's ***** Brandy.
- 1 " Watson's "E" Whisky.
- 1 " Dewar's White Label Whisky.
- 1 " Burnett's Dry Gin.
- 1 " French Vermouth.
- 1 " Italian Vermouth.
- 1 " Get Freres Peppermint.
- 2 Bots. Oporto Blanco Port.

CASE No. 3 -- \$60.00

- 2 Bots. Ayala Vintage Champagne.
- 1 Bot. Ch. Kirwan Claret.
- 1 " Italian Vermouth.
- 1 " Ruiz's Full Golden Sherry "E."
- 1 " Sandeman's Five Diamonds Port.
- 1 " Laubenheimer Hock.
- 1 " Burnett's Dry Gin.
- 1 " "E" Finest Old Brown Brandy.
- 1 " Dewar's White Label Whisky.
- 1 " Dewar's Victoria Vat Whisky.
- 1 " Benedictine.

SPECIAL CASES MADE UP TO ORDER

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POLICE BRIBERY
CHARGE.STORY OF TELEPHONE
TALK.BOOKMAKER AND SERGEANT
ACCUSED.

A police-sergeant and a man described as a bookmaker appeared at Marylebone Police Court on summonses brought under the Prevention of Corruption Act.

William O'Connor, of Oxford-terrace, Hyde Park, answered a summons accusing him of Corruption giving £2 10s. on September 21 to Police-sergt. Hogg as an inducement and reward for showing favour or for forbearing to show favour in matters relating to the affairs and business of the Commissioners of Police.

Police-sergeant Malcolm Watts Jones ("F" Division) appeared on a summons alleging that he aided and abetted.

Mr. Charles Wallace appeared for the Director of Public Prosecutions. Mr. Edmund O'Connor defended O'Connor, and Mr. Frank Palmer defended the officer who appeared in muffs. The case came before Mr. Bingley.

In the Station Yard.

Mr. Wallace stated that in September Sergeant Hogg and a police constable were drafted from "F" division to watch street betting. These officers were in the station yard one day and saw Jones, who, it was alleged, said to Hogg:

"Well, you are drafted across here. You are a man of the world. If you care to fall into line and do as I tell you you will not only be able to have a return on your charges, but a return to yourself at the end of the week, which I am sure you can quite well do with."

"If you meet me at Paddington terrace I will tell you all there is to know and introduce you to the right people and give you their telephone numbers. You can then make any appointment you wish."

"All White Men."

Sergeant Hogg said that he would, but as a matter of fact, commented Mr. Wallace, he did not. On September 13, Jones, it was alleged, saw Hogg and said:

"Well, none of you have had anything, have you, and you are not likely to get anything, either. Do as I tell you. If you don't work for these people it is only a waste of time, and you will only run your legs off and get nothing. I am still willing to help you. The men I can introduce you to are all white men. They will not do you dirty. Jones then, said Mr. Wallace, gave Hogg a telephone number and asked him to ring him up. Hogg communicated with a superintendent, and received certain instructions. Later he went to Tottenham Court road Police Station, and rang the telephone number given to him by Jones. It was arranged that both Hogg and Reid could listen at the telephone."

"They heard Jones' voice," he said. "Bill O'Connor and Tommy Thompson are of the best. I know it is O.K. Ring me up in ten minutes and I will tell you how to fix up something."

"Nobody Need Know."

In the later telephone conversation Jones was alleged to have said: "Nobody in the world need know anything of this. You are the boss, and if it is £2 or £10 you can give your police-constable 30s. or £2. He will be well satisfied. So will Bill be and the others."

Sergeant Hogg and P.-C. Reid, said Mr. Wallace, met Jones later at a public-house in Aberdeen-place, where Jones introduced Hogg to O'Connor. It was alleged that O'Connor said:

"Well, I think we shall be able to work together all right, but I have had a terrible cunning lately. I think this knocking off business is all wrong, and they should legalise it. Still, it does not matter to me, as I am well breeced myself and could easily pack up to-morrow. Jones said that he had thought of taking them to see Tommy Thompson."

A Witness in Court.

O'Connor (Mr. Wallace proceeded) then took Hogg out into a passage and said: "I have great objection to putting a dummy out myself. Take this little 50s. with me now, and at the end of the week, if everything is all right, I will double it."

At this point Mr. Edmund O'Connor asked for the withdrawal from court of P.-C. Reid.

Mr. Bingley—I cannot understand why he is here.

A police inspector said he had not been aware that the officer indicated was a witness.

Mr. Bingley—It is very extraordinary. I thought the rule was recognised in the court.

Mr. Wallace stated that when the summons was served upon Jones he replied: "It is absolutely false. I am entirely innocent of anything contained in the summons." O'Connor said: "It is a plot."

CHRISTMAS
COMPETITION

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\$100.00

FOR THE BEST LETTERS

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TO STUDY THE ADVERTISEMENTS IN THIS ISSUE OF THE HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, AND IN EVERY SUBSEQUENT ISSUE UP TO DECEMBER 20—DECIDE WHICH YOU THINK IS THE BEST, AND WRITE A SHORT LETTER GIVING THE REASONS FOR YOUR DECISION. LETTERS MUST REACH THE ADVERTISEMENT MANAGER NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 1932, AND MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A CUTTING OF THE ADVERTISEMENT YOU HAVE CHOSEN, AND AN ENTRY FORM (PRINTED ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE).

A PRIZE OF \$50.00.

WILL BE GIVEN TO THE WRITER OF THE BEST LETTER.

The Winning Letter, and the advertisement securing most votes, will be published in the Hong Kong Daily Press on January 7, 1932.

WE ARE ALSO OFFERING A PRIZE OF \$10.00 EACH WEEK UP TO CHRISTMAS, FOR THE BEST LETTER GIVING YOUR REASONS FOR YOUR CHOICE OF WHAT YOU CONSIDER TO HAVE BEEN THE BEST ADVERTISEMENT DURING THE PREVIOUS WEEK. LETTERS, ACCOMPANIED BY A CUTTING OF THE ADVERTISEMENT CHOSEN, AND AN ENTRY FORM, MUST REACH THE ADVERTISEMENT MANAGER NOT LATER THAN THE FOLLOWING DATES:—

1st Competition—Best advertisement between November 23 and 28. Letters must be received not later than December 2. The winning letter and advertisement securing the most votes will be published in the Hong Kong Daily Press on Monday, December 7.

2nd Competition—Best advertisement between November 30 and December 5. Letters must be received by December 8, results published December 14.

3rd Competition—Best advertisement between December 7 and 12. Letters must be received by December 16, results published December 21.

4th Competition—Best advertisement between December 14 and 19. Letters must be received by December 23, results published December 30.

5th Competition—Best advertisement between December 21 and 26. Letters must be received by December 30, results published January 4.

6th Competition—Best advertisement between November 23 and December 25. Letters must be received by January 1, 1932, results published January 7.

The Editor's Decision is Final.

No correspondence will be entered into.

(No member of the staff of the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS is eligible for this competition.)



She welcomed life with open arms—love with a trusting heart.

SHIPPING MOVEMENT.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on December 5, and is due here on December 23. She will sail for Manila on December 28 at 5 p.m.

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

ADEN.

Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Dec. 22.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 23.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.

ALEXANDRIA.

Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.

ALGIERS.

Tamara, Gilman, Dec. 27.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

AMSTERDAM.

Snarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 13.
Tamara, Gilman, Dec. 27.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.
Afrika, Manners, Jan. 12.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

ANTWERP.

Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 13.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 23.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.
Afrika, Manners, Jan. 12.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 16.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Changha, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Ateuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Annum, Melchers, Dec. 30.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 15.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 23.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., Jan. 30.

BALI.

Tjisaraea, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Dec. 23.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.
Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Jan. 12.

BALTIC PORTS.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 13.
Afrika, Manners, Jan. 12.

BALTIMORE.

Adrastus, B. & S., Dec. 11.
Laganbank, Bank, Jan. 8.
Taybank, Bank, Feb. 5.

BALBOA.

Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.

BANGKOK.

Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Bintang, Manners, Dec. 25.

BARCELONA.

Saarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.

BATAVIA.

Tjisaraea, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Dec. 23.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.
Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Jan. 12.

BELOWAN-DELI.

Cremor, J.C.J.L., Dec. 17.

BOMBAY.

Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 21.
Tokawa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 27.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., Jan. 30.

BOSTON.

Adrastus, B. & S., Dec. 11.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Dec. 17.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 17.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Laganbank, Bank, Jan. 8.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.
Japanese Prince, Furness, Jan. 12.
Taybank, Bank, Feb. 5.

BREMEN.

Saarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.
Anhalt, Melchers, Jan. 16.

BRINDISI.

Venezia L. Dodwell's, Dec. 20.
Gracovia, Dodwell's, Dec. 27.
Hilda, Dodwell's, Jan. 17.

CALCUTTA.

Kutsang, Jardine's, Dec. 12.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 15.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 15.
Sirdhana, P. & O., Dec. 15.
Hosang, Jardine's, Dec. 15.
Tilawa, P. & O., Dec. 24.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Kamsang, J. M. & Co., Jan. 7.
Santhia, M. M. & Co., Jan. 10.
Tatung, M. M. & Co., Jan. 22.

CASABLANCA.

Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 13.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 16.
Anhalt, Melchers, Jan. 16.

CHEFOO.

Cheongshing Jardine's, Dec. 15.
Huichow, B. & S., Dec. 15.
Chipshing, J. M. & Co., Dec. 24.
Kueichow, B. & S., Dec. 25.

CHRISTIANAL.

Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.

COLOMBO.

Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
Hakow Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 21.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Dec. 22.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Dec. 23.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Tokawa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 27.
Sphinx, M.M., Jan. 5.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.
Porthos, M.M., Jan. 19.

COPENHAGEN.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 13.
Afrika, Manners, Jan. 12.

DAIREN.

Teon, B. & S., Dec. 9.
Chinhua, B. & S., Dec. 14.

DJIBOUTI.

Sphinx, M.M., Jan. 5.
Porthos, M.M., Jan. 19.

DUNKERK.

Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 13.

FOOCHOW.

Haiyang, Douglas, Dec. 11.
Haiching, Douglas, Dec. 15.

GENOA.

Saarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
Ulysses, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 20.
Venezia L. Dodwell's, Dec. 20.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Dec. 23.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Tamara, Gilman, Dec. 27.
Saarland, Jensen, Dec. 30.
Pruessen, Jensen, Jan. 8.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.
Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 15.
Hilda, Dodwell's, Jan. 17.
Kulmerland, Melchers, Jan. 18.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

GIBRALTAR.

Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.

GLASGOW.

Ulysses, B. & S., Dec. 16.
Antenor, B.F., Dec. 23.

GOTHENBURG.

Tamara, Gilman, Dec. 27.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

HAIPHONG.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Dec. 18.
Klungchow, B. & S., Jan. 1.

HAMBURG.

City of Perth, Bank, Dec. 9.
Saarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Malaya, Manners, Dec. 13.
City of Athens, Bank, Dec. 18.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Dec. 23.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 23.
Tamara, Gilman, Dec. 27.
Saarland, Jensen, Dec. 30.
Pruessen, Jensen, Jan. 8.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.
Afrika, Manners, Jan. 12.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 16.
Anhalt, Melchers, Jan. 16.
Kulmerland, Melchers, Jan. 18.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

HANKOW.

Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 13.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 16.
Anhalt, Melchers, Jan. 16.
Kulmerland, Melchers, Jan. 18.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

HARPER.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Dec. 18.
Bintang, Manners, Dec. 25.
Klungchow, B. & S., Jan. 1.

HONOLULU.

Asahi Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 9.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Hoio Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.

HULL.

Somali, M. M. & Co., Dec. 23.

JAPAN PORTS.

Asahi Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 9.
Sphinx, M.M., Dec. 9.
Hakotaki Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Hikawa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Hilda, Dodwell's, Dec. 14.
Gracovia, Dodwell's, Dec. 15.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 17.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.R., Dec. 18.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Karmala, P. & O., Dec. 18.
Peiping, Gilman, Dec. 27.

KAGAWA.

Adrastus, B. & S., Dec. 11.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Dec. 17.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 17.
Pros. Wilson, A.M.L., Dec. 22.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Pros. Hoover, A.M.L., Jan. 5.
Laganbank, Bank, Jan. 8.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.
Japanese Prince, Furness, Jan. 12.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 27.
Taybank, Bank, Feb. 5.

KANGAROO.

Kingyuan, B. & S., Dec. 18.
Bintang, Manners, Dec. 25.
Klungchow, B. & S., Jan. 1.

KANTO.

Asahi Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 9.
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JAPAN PORTS—Continued.

Santhia, P. & O., Dec. 13.
Ixion, B. & S., Dec. 15.
Kamsang, Jardine's, Dec. 15.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Dec. 23.
Hoio Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Porthos, M.M., Dec. 23.
Tsurukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 24.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., Jan. 1.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., Jan. 2.
Suisang, J. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Talma, M. M. & Co., Jan. 3.

Kobe.

Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Jan. 4.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., Jan. 4.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 4.
Kashmir, M. M. & Co., Jan. 5.
Chonocaux, M.M., Jan. 6.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.
Kalyan, M. M. & Co., Jan. 9.
Cal Di Lana, Dodwell, Jan. 11.
Pila, Dodwell's, Jan. 12.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 13.
Takada, M. M. & Co., Jan. 15.
Tandarous, B. & S., Jan. 16.
Formosa, Gilman, Jan. 18.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Jan. 18.
Hoio Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 19.
Aho II, M.M., Jan. 20.
Soudan, M. M. & Co., Jan. 26.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 27.
Nalders, M. M. & Co., Jan. 29.

Kobe.

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Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Jan. 12.

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Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 15.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 20.

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Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 16.
Diomed, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., Jan. 30.

Kobe.

Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 17.
Hoio Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
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Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 23.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Pruessen, Jensen, Jan. 8.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.
Afrika, Manners, Jan. 12.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 16.
Anhalt, Melchers, Jan. 16.
Kulmerland, Melchers, Jan. 18.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

Kobe.

Taisaraea, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
Taisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Dec. 23.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.
Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Jan. 12.

Kobe.

Adrastus, B. & S., Dec. 11.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.R., Dec. 11.
Saarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13

FOR	WEEK DAYS.		SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS.	
	FROM G.P.O.	FROM SHUNGWAN BRANCH P.O.	FROM G.P.O.	FROM SHUNGWAN BRANCH P.O.
Canton	7.15 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	7.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	7.15 a.m. & 6.00 p.m.	7.00 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.
as shai and Wuchow (By direct steamer)	4.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.
Macao & Taisan	7.15 a.m. & 7.15 p.m.	7.30 a.m. 1.30 p.m.	8.15 a.m. & 1.15 p.m. Sundays 8.15 a.m. only	8.30 a.m. & 1.30 p.m. Sundays 8.30 a.m. only
Kongmoon (except Saturdays)	5.00 p.m.	5.00 p.m.	5.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.
Kaukung (except Saturdays),		6.00 p.m.		6.00 p.m.
Katahan and Wuchow (By Train)	7.15 a.m.		7.15 a.m.	
Tai O	1.00 p.m.			
Tai Po	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.		11.00 a.m. 9.00 a.m.	
Shumchun	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.			11.00 a.m.
Cheungchow	1.00 p.m. & 5.00 p.m.		11.00 a.m. & 5.00 p.m.	
Aberdeen	8.00 a.m.		8.00 a.m.	
Stanley	12.30 p.m.		11.00 a.m.	
Autau	8.30 a.m.		8.30 a.m.	
Pingshan, Santa Shaukeok and Shau- shui	8.00 p.m.			10.30 a.m.
Saikung	4.30 p.m.			10.30 a.m.
Namtau, Shaki & Taipei (Fumai)		7.00 p.m.		7.00 p.m.

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DESTINATION	SHIP	DATE	TIME
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 9th Dec.	5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"KWANGTUNG"	On 10th Dec.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHUNGKING"	On 12th Dec.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG"	On 13th Dec.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KALGAN"	On 14th Dec.	10 a.m.
DALNY	"CHINHUA"	On 14th Dec.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUIYANG"	On 15th Dec.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, WENHAIWEI, OCHPOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 15th Dec.	10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 16th Dec.	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 18th Dec.	10 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KINGYUAN"	On 18th Dec.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 20th Dec.	10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 23rd Dec.	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWANGTUNG"	On 25th Dec.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SZEORUNN"	On 27th Dec.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SOOCHOW"	On 29th Dec.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, WENHAIWEI, OCHPOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 30th Dec.	10 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 1st Jan.	5 p.m.

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CHANGTE	9th Feb.	20th Feb.	23rd Feb.	10th Mar.
TAIPING	8th Mar.	18th Mar.	21st Mar.	8th Apr.

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M.S. "Malaya"	12th Dec.	13th Dec.
M.S. "Africa"	12th Dec.	13th Dec.
M.S. "Chile"	8th Jan. 1932	8th Feb.
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ROYAL OBSERVATORY'S DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

DECEMBER 7, 1931.										DECEMBER 8, 1931.									
STATION	Barometer at Sea Level	Barometer		Temperature	Direction	Wind		Rainfall (Inches)	Remarks	Barometer at Sea Level	Barometer		Temperature	Direction	Wind		Rainfall (Inches)	Remarks	
		Inches	Millib.			Force	Direction				Inches	Millib.			Force	Direction			
Wladivostok...	12	30.99	761.7	87	...	NE	5	0	6	30.89	771.9	14	...	NNE	3	b	...	...
Nemuro	11	30.84	759.0	...	...	SE	1	1	...	29.93	757.5	...	...	NNW	5	b	...	...
Hakodate	"	29.82	757.5	...	...	WNW	1	...	...	30.10	764.8	...	...	WNW	1	...	...	...
Tokio	"	29.98	761.5	...	...	NE	1	...	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	NNW	2	...	...	...
Kobe	"	30.12	755.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	30.14	763.5	...	...	WSW	1	...	...	...
Nagasaki	"	30.08	754.0	...	...	WSW	4	...	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kagoshima	"	30.12	755.0	...	...	NW	1	...	...	30.10	763.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oshima	"	30.12	755.0	...	...	SSE	2	...	...	30.10	763.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naha	"	30.10	754.5	...	...	E	1	...	...	30.08	764.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ishigakijima	"	30.08	754.0	...	...	SE	1	...	...	30.02	762.5	...	...	ESE	1	...	...	...
Bonin Island ...	"	30.18	755.5	...	...	E	1	...	...	30.11	755.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chotto	15	30.14	755.0	68	4	NE	2	0	6	30.03	754.0	48	...	SE	1	0	...	...
Shanghai	14	30.12	755.0	68	4	E	1	0	6	30.05	753.2	59	1	E	2	m	...	...
Guthaif	"	30.15	755.8	68	...	N	2	0	6	30.10	754.5	60	...	SE	2	r	...	...
Wenchow	"	30.99	761.7	79	6	NE	2	0	7	30.01	752.2	65	1	NE	2	f	...	...
Foochow	"	30.07	753.8	70	4	...	...	0	6	30.03	752.7	63	6	ENE	4	o	...	...
Amoy	"	30.01	751.0	74	...	...	...	0	5	29.99	751.8	68	...	ESE	3	r	...	...
Swatow	"	30.04	753.0	79	...	N	2	bc	...	29.95	750.0	68	...	...	0	b	...	...
Taihou	"	30.03	752.8	76	...	N	2	0	...	29.93	750.8	67	...	...	0	...	...	...
Tainan	"	30.02	752.4	77	...	NE	2	0	...	29.95	750.7	74	...	ENE	2	o	...	...
Koshu	"	30.04	753.0	...	...	NNE	4	...	...	29.95	750.8	70	...	NNE	3	o	...	...
Pescadores	"	29.93	750.2	70	6	PNE	3	od	6	29.93	750.2	70	7	E	6	o	...	...
Hong Kong	14	29.95	750.7	71	7	ENE	4	od	...	29.93	750.2	70	7	ENE	5	o	...	...
Gap Hook	"	29.91	749.8	66	4	NE	2	d	...	29.88	748.5	68	4	ESE	2	...	...	...
Macao	"	29.88	749.7	79	5	ENE	4	...	6	29.88	749.8	78	8	ENE	4	o	...	...
Hoihow	"	29.89	750.3	76	8	SE	2	...	7	29.89	750.1	67	6	NNW	2	f	...	...
Pratas Island...	15	29.80	755.0	77	8	NW	4	c	...	29.80	756.8	72	8	NW	4	...	...	...
Phu Lien	"	29.79	755.8	85	6	...	...	...	...	29.82	757.4	76	6	NE	3	o	...	...
Tourane	14	29.90	755.5	81	8	ESE	4	c	6	29.91	759.7	77	0	ESE	4	...	...	...
Cape St. James	"	29.88	755.9	76	4	...	...	p	...	29.89	759.1	74	0	...	0	p	...	...
Baco	"	29.87	755.9	74	1	...	...	0	...	29.88	759.0	73	1	...	0	o	...	...
Apurri	"	29.78	756.4	86	8	NE	4	...	...	29.80	757.0	76	8	WSW	2	b	...	...
Taguegano	"	29.80	757.0	85	8	E	2	bc	...	29.84	757.9	72	6	...	0	b	...	...
Vigan	"	29.78	756.4	91	8	ENE	3	b	...	29.79	756.7	81	6	...	0	b	...	...
Manila	"	29.76	756.5	85	8	SE	4	bc	...	29.80	758.3	77	6	NW	2	c	...	...
Legaspi	"	29.72	754.3	85	8	NE	4	b	...	29.78	755.8	76	4	NE	4	...	...	...
Calbayog	"	29.74	755.5	86	8	NE	2	b	...	29.78	756.3	77	8	...	0	b	...	...
Taloban	"	29.73	755.2	88	8	E	4	...	...	29.77	756.1	76	6	...	0	...	...	...
Iloilo	"	29.73	755.2	88	8	E	4	...	...	29.80	756.9	77	...	E	1	c	...	...
Cebu	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.78	755.9	77	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surigao	12.22	29.69	75.6	...	6	NE	4	0	4.22	29.78	755.9	79	...	ENE	1	o	...	...
Saipan	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.78	755.9	79	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guam .....	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.78	755.9	79	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap .....	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.78	755.9	79	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pelew .....	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.78	755.9	79	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.82	757.4	86	6	NW	4	bc	6	29.78	756.4	79	1	NE	...	...	...	...

December 7d. 17h. 25m.—Warning to Hong Kong, Coast Ports, &c.—Typhoon in Lat. 11° N. Long. 118° E., moving W.S.W., position uncertain.

December 8d. 10h. 40m.—Warning to Hong Kong, Coast Ports, &c.—Typhoon in Lat. 11° N. Long. 118° E., stationary or very slow, position uncertain.

December 8d. 11h. 08m.—The typhoon appears to be nearly stationary about 400 miles east of Cape St. James.

The anticyclone is central to the north of Vladivostok.

Manila warning, 7d. 10h. 55m.—Typhoon in Lat. 12° N. Long. 114° E., moving W. Recd. 7d. 11h. 43m.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.19 inch. Total since January 1, 76.03 inches, against an average of 82.24 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON DECEMBER 9.

Forecast.

A.—Shanghai to Tientsin ... Light, variable winds, generally overcast, foggy.

B.—Tientsin to Hong Kong ... N.E. winds, moderate; generally overcast, light rain.

C.—Hong Kong to Gap Hook ... N.E. winds, moderate; generally overcast, light rain.

D.—Hong Kong to Hainan Straits ... N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, rainy.

E.—North China Sea ... N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, rainy.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, December 8.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.93	29.84	29.81
Temperature	70	70	70
Humidity	84	87	88
Wind	Direction E	E	ENE
Force	2	0	0
Weather	OD	OD	0
Rain	0.02	0.00	0.18

Highest open-air Temperature, 77.7
Lowest open-air Temperature, 61.69

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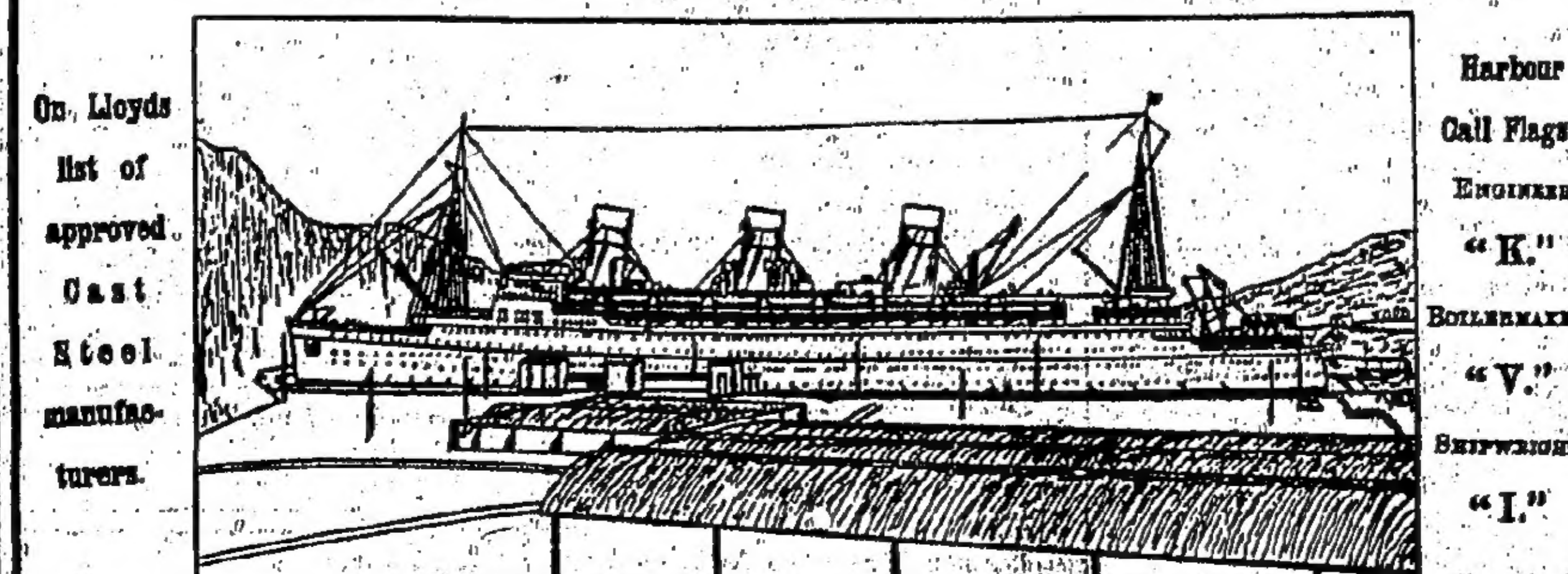
HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
Days of Week	Time	Days of Week	Time
Wed. 9.	10.14	Thur. 10	11.05
Thur. 10	11.05	Fri. 11	11.53
Fri. 11	11.53	Sat. 12	12.40
Sat. 12	12.40	Sun. 13	13.24
Sun. 13	13.24	Mon. 14	14.04
Mon. 14	14.04	Tue. 15	14.40

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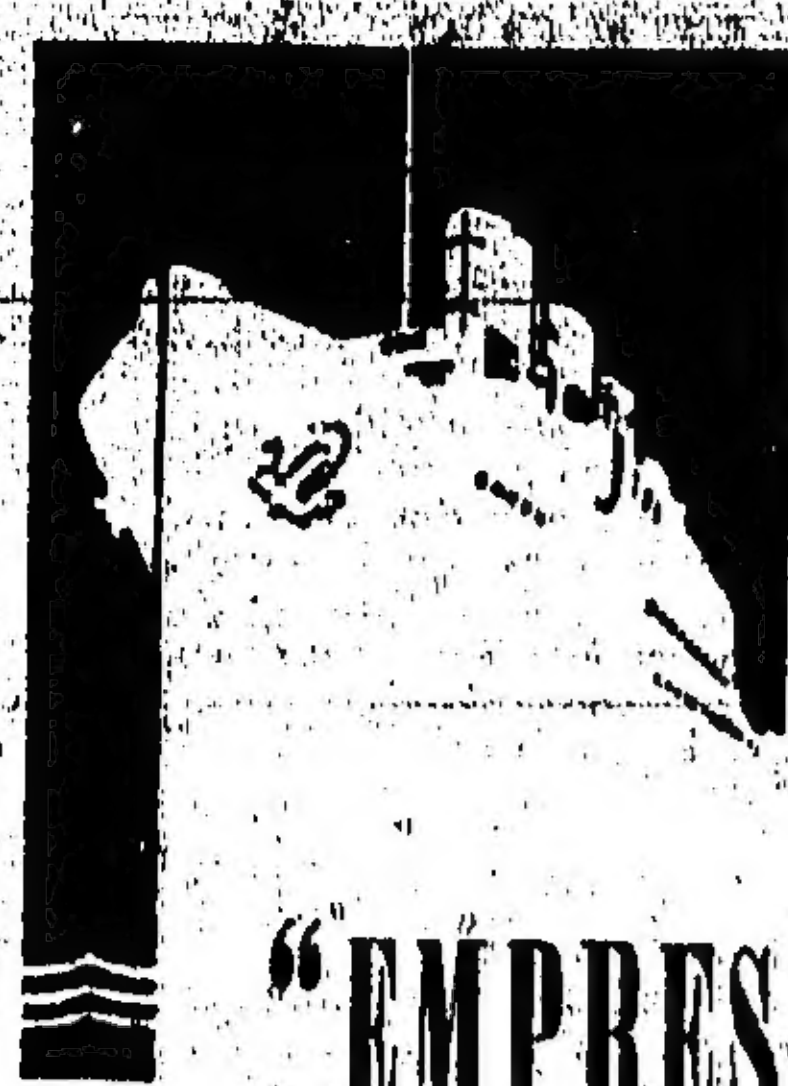
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To	STEAMSHIP	DATE
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWANSANG" "HOPKANG" "SANDVIKEN" "NORVIKEN"	Sun. 13th Dec., at 7 a.m. Wed. 16th Dec., at 7 a.m. Sun. 20th Dec., at 7 a.m. Wed. 23rd Dec., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG" "HOSANG" "KUMSANG"	Fri. 11th Dec., at 4 p.m. Wed. 16th Dec., at 3 p.m. Thurs. 7th Jan., at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"KUMSANG" "SUISANG"	Satur. 19th Dec., at 7 a.m. Satur. 2nd Jan., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Tues. 19th Jan., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" "YUSANG"	Wed. 9th Dec., at 3 p.m.



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Emp. of Canada	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 11	Feb. 14	Feb. 17	Feb. 20	Feb. 23	Feb. 26	Feb. 29
Emp. of Asia	Mar. 4	Mar. 7	Mar. 10	Mar. 13	Mar. 16	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 28
Emp. of Europe	Mar. 18	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 27	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	Apr. 3	Apr. 6	Apr. 9
Emp. of Australia	Mar. 18	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 27	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	Apr. 3	Apr. 6	Apr. 9
Emp. of Russia	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 2	May 5	May 8	May 11	May 14	May 17
Emp. of Japan	May 7	May 10	May 13	May 16	May 19	May 22	May 25	May 28	May 31
Emp. of Canada	May 20	May 23	May 26	May 29	May 31	June 3	June 6	June 9	June 12
Emp. of Asia	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 13	June 16	June 19	June 22	June 25	June 28
Emp. of Europe	June 17	June 20	June 23	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 5	July 8	July 11
Emp. of Australia	June 17	June 20	June 23	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 5	July 8	July 11

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SUWA MARU ... Friday, 25th Dec.

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ATSUMA MARU ... Saturday, 26th Dec.
KAMO MARU ... Saturday, 23rd Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo

KAGA MARU ... Friday, 11th Dec.
HANKOW MARU ... Monday, 9th Dec.

TOKIWA MARU ... Sunday, 27th Dec.

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HEIYO MARU ... Tuesday, 22nd Dec.

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TATSUNO MARU ... Monday, 4th Jan.

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DAKAR MARU ... Sunday, 20th Dec.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

ALCUTTA MARU ... Tuesday, 15th Dec.

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CHENONOUAUX ... 29th Jan.

ATHOS II ... 10th Feb.
DARTAGNAN ... 1st Mar.

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 8,623 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO 25,895 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Cargo for Through Ports.

British Antioch, 1,771 0.135

Mirzapore, Bombay 281 4.395

Nankin, Melbourne 1,072 2.362

Javanese Prince, Boston 282 3.20

Silverpalm, New York 330 2,000

Sophocles, Canton 4 430

Canton 4 4,070 13,832

American Pres. Coolidge, Manila 10 2,251

French Tai Poo Sek, Ft. Bayard 563 563

Norwegian Daviken, Canton 600 600

Mabella, Bangkok 2,000 2,000

Japanese Panama Maru, Sourabaya 5,207

Havana Maru, Calcutta 1,980 5,002

Calcutta 1,980 10,209

Total 8,623 25,895

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Autolytus (Br.) Newport 325

Nankin (Br.) Melbourne 103

Soochow (Br.) Canton 47

Tai Poo Sek (French) Ft. Bayard 120

Mabella (Nor.) Bangkok 12

Panama Maru (Jap.) Sourabaya 7

Total 630

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British Arr. Dep.

French 1 1

Norwegian 3 2

Japanese 2 1

Chinese 1 2

Danish 0 1

Total 14 18

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships are in port:—

Rasin—Tamar.

North Wall—Serapis, Seraph, Sirdar.

South Wall—Bruce.

East Wall—Herald.

North Arm—Kent, Orpheus, Phoenix (Herald).

West Wall—Suffolk.

Dock—Olympus, Perseus, Osiris.

Buoy No. 6—Cornwall.

Foreign—Portuguese transport Gil Eanes; French dispatch vessel Craonne; Chinese gunboat Hai Su.

ARRIVALS.

December 7.

Autolytus, British str., 4,930 tons, Capt. T. B. Nelson, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf—B. & S.

Baron Earls, British str., 2,316 tons, Capt. J. Macdonald, from Calcutta, buoy No. B27—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Bengal Maru, Japanese str., 2,321 tons, Capt. K. Kannauchi, from Sakito, buoy No. A8—N.Y.K.

Borneo, British str., 1,267 tons, Capt. R. A. Prichard, from Hoilow, buoy No. B17—Shun Tai & Co.

Buoland, Norwegian str., 2,200 tons, Capt. A. Dahl, from Swatow, Yaumati Anchorage—Wallem & Co.

Daviken, Norwegian str., 1,778 tons, Capt. G. Svane, from Canton, buoy No. B2—J. M. & Co.

Havana Maru, Japanese str., 3,450 tons, Capt. N. Yamanoi, from Penang, buoy No. B4—O.S.K.

Hong Kong, British str., 3,975 tons, Capt. D. M. Hood, from Singapore, buoy No. A14—Ho Thong & Co.

Mabella, Norwegian str., 840 tons, Capt. Svendsen, from Bangkok, buoy No. B12—Wing Fong Hong.

Mirzapore, British str., 4,131 tons, Capt. W. D. C. Smith, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—M. M. & Co.

Nankin, British str., 4,348 tons, Capt. A. S. Gordon, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—M. M. & Co.

New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. D. Thomas, from Pakhoi, buoy No. C1—Yik Tai & Co.

Pres. Coolidge, American str., 13,029 tons, Capt. K. A. Ablio, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—Dollar S.S. Line.

Soochow, British str., 1,304 tons, Capt. H. Gifford, from Canton, buoy No. B21—B. & S.

Sipora, Dutch str., 941 tons, Capt. A. Lindeman, from Canton, Yaumati Anchorage—J.C.J.L.

December 8.

Chung Hwah, Chinese str., 3,871 tons, Capt. S. Nakano, from Dairen, buoy No. A9—Shun Tai Hong.

Felix Rodssel, French str., 9,179 tons, Capt. Clarice, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—M. M. & Co.

Kalgan, British str., 1,556 tons, Capt. C. P. Miller, from Swatow, buoy No. B3—B. & S.

Kwangchow, British str., 1,735 tons, Capt. W. T. Dodge, from Canton, Taikoo Dock—B. & S.

Michael Jensen, Danish str., 1,343 tons, Capt. H. Ipland, from Hoilow, buoy No. B17—Chin Sing Hong.

Panama Maru, Japanese str., 3,567 tons, Capt. S. Kurimuro, from Tawau, buoy No. A2—O.S.K.

Rowena, Norwegian str., 2,347 tons, Capt. Haasen, from Chinwangtao, buoy No. B22—Doddrell & Co.

Shun Chih, Chinese str., 1,263 tons, Capt. W. C. Freer, from Saigon, buoy No. B10—Chang Tong Hoo.

Silverpalm, British str., 3,385 tons, Capt. Dandett, from Shanghai, buoy No. A11—J.C.J.L.

Tjisandane, Dutch str., 5,760 tons, Capt. Blankert, from Tg. Priok, buoy No. A1—J.C.J.L.

CLEARANCES.

December 7.

Anshan, for Swatow.

Bonvanroch, for Newswatow.

Borneo, for Canton.

Dunafrica, for Whampoa.

Halidan, for Port Courbet.

Hong Peng, for Singapore.

Hydrangea, for Swatow.

Javanese Prince, for Manila.

Jeff Davis, for Haiphong.

Kueichow, for Chefoo.

Kwaikang, for Canton.

Moricka Maru, for Kobe.

Muinam, for Swatow.

Mao Lee, from Dairen.

Minnie Muller, for Canton.

Sipora, for Beraos.

Sipirok, for Beraos.

Tainan, for Canton.

December 8.

Apoc, for Hongkong.

Ashelqueen, for Manila.

Bengal Maru, for Singapore.

Buoland, for Hongkong.

Felix Rodssel, for Saigon.

Haining, for Swatow.

Haidia, for Dairen.

Hermes, for Singapore.

Hong Kong, for Swatow.

Kaipoi, for Tonkin.

Kaisar-i-Hind, for Shanghai.

Mitsuki Maru, for Port Courbet.

Nankin, for Shanghai.

Olympia, for Manila.

Panama Maru, for Takao.

Pres. Coolidge, for Shanghai.

Silverpalm, for Manila.

Soochow, for Swatow.

Tjibadak, for Manila.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant vessels were in port yesterday:—

Wharves.

Kowloon—Pres. Coolidge, Nankin, Mirzapore, Song Giang, Asama Maru.

Holts—Autolytus.

Financing—Laichikok: Jeff Davis, China Merchants—Tai Poo Sek, Douglas Laprak—Haining.

Docks.

Kowloon—Yei Maru, Limchow, Wis Kung, Mao Lee, Hiram, Haydrot, Yuan Jeng, Gil Eanes, Taikoo—Asama Maru, Taiyuan, Taishan, Planorbis, Hong Hwa, Cosmopolitan—An Lee.

Buoys.

No. A2—Panama Maru.

No. A3—Adriatic.

No. A4—Havana Maru.

No. A6—Tjibadak.

No. A7—Olympia.

No. A8—Bengal Maru.

No. A9—Sun Tai Hong.

No. A11—Silverpalm.

No. A14—Hong Kong.

No. B2—Daviken.

No. B3—Mabella.

No. B6—Tonkin.

No. B10—Shun Chih.

No. B11—Arden.

No. B13—Apoc.

No. B16—Fongtong.

No. B21—Soochow.

No. B22—Maunang.

No. B23—Taikoo Maru.

No. B25—Dunafrica.

No. B28—Rawa.

No. C1—New Mathilde.

No. C2—Hermes.

No. C3—Halidan.

No. C7—Haidia.

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